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THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD NEW HAMPSHIRE

2008 ANNUAL REPORT

THANK YOU FOR YOUR YEARS OF SERVICE

Carl Brown
Police Chief
1977-1990

Joanne Brown
Selectman
1987-2008

Loren Pierce
Fire Chief
1973-1982 & 1998-2008

Gloria Cramer
Selectman
1987-2007

Bertha Hukins
Treasurer
1983-2007

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE

TOWN OF
STRAFFORD

2008
For The Year Ending
December 31, 2008

Population.....estimated 4,030
Registered Voters..... 3,167

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TOWN OFFICERS

SELECTMEN

R. Stephen Leighton 2006-2009 Lynn Sweet 2007-2010
Stephanie Gray 2008-2011

Ellen J. White--Administrator

TOWN CLERK

Diane Waldron 2007-2010

TOWN TREASURER

Laurie Bibeau 2007-2010

TAX COLLECTOR

Judith Dupré (Appointed)

MODERATOR

William G. Lord 2008-2010

SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST

Carol Cooper 2006-2012 Marilyn Roderick 2008-2014
Martha English 2005-2010

LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Kenneth A. Berry

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Martha English 2006-2009 Charles Burnham 2005-2008 David Benger 2007-2010

Cheryl Sanborn (Alternate) Nancy Baxter (Alternate)
Pamela Marks (Alternate) Indra Edmonds (Alternate)

ROAD AGENT

Greg Messenger 2008-2009

BUILDING INSPECTOR

David Copeland Assistant: Andrew Carter

HEALTH OFFICER

Duncan D. Chaplin III Deputy: Kevin LaCroix

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR (Emergency Management)

Scott Young, Chief of Police

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Michelle T. Benger 2008-2011 Charles Burnham 2007-2010
Betsy B. Cozine 2006-2009

FIRE WARDEN

Matthew Lobdell

DEPUTIES

Scott Whitehouse Andy Carroll Paul Stover Tod Rix
Paul Yergeau, Sr. David Hartranft Robert Lobdell

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Scott Young--Chief of Police
Mary Macfadzen--Secretary

Randolph Young Michael Richard, Sgt. Bryant Scott
Donald J. Laliberte Nicholas Drew

PLANNING BOARD

Charles Moreno--Chairman 2008-2011 James D. Graham 2006-2009
Paul Eaton 2007-2010 Don Rhodes 2008-2011
Lynn Sweet 2008-2010

ALTERNATES

Khatereh Sawal

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Susan L. Arnold--Chairman 2008-2011 Herman Groth 2007-2010
Charles Burnham 2008-2011 William G. Lord 2007-2010

ALTERNATES

Richard H. Ferreira II

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Harmony Anderson 2008-2011
Jack Bronnenberg 2006-2009
Elizabeth Evans 2007-2010
Carolyn Page 2007-2010
Carolyn Page 2007-2010
David Perkins 2008-2011
Calvin Schroeder 2006-2009
JoAnn Brown (Alternate)

Bruce Smith (Alternate)

RECREATION COMMISSION

Robert White

ROCHESTER/RURAL DISTRICT VISITING NURSE SERVICES and HOSPICE

Telephone 755-2202 or 332-1133

FIRE AND RESCUE

Paul Stover—Chief of Department
Scott Whitehouse—Deputy Chief
Stephanie Gray—Secretary

BOW LAKE STATION

Robert Lobdell—Captain
Andy Carroll—Lieutenant

CENTER STATION

Matt Lobdell—Captain
Paul Yergeau—Lieutenant

CROWN POINT STATION

David Hartranft—Captain
Tod Rix—Lieutenant

DEPARTMENT MEMBERS

Jim Anderson
Eric Aucella
Ben Bickford
Terry A. Bickford
Terry R. Bickford
Eugene Burrows
Jill Carroll
Nick Drew
Dan Duffy
Chris Dustin
David Ferry
Teresa Ferry
Doug Hayes
Meghan Iber
Jack Lagasse
Nicole Lefevbre
Ashley Leighton
Kate Leighton
Jesse Manheit
Richard Murphy
David Palmer
Glenn Pierce
Loren Pierce
Wayne Pierce
Bill Riendeau
Kelly Scribner
PJ Yergeau

TOWN WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

The polls will be open from 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Strafford in the County of Strafford in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the **Strafford Town Hall** in said Strafford on Tuesday, the Tenth (10th) day of March, next at 8:00 A.M. to act upon the following subjects:

** 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

** NOTE: ALL ARTICLES EXCEPT ARTICLE 1, WILL BE TAKEN UP AT 8:30 A.M., SATURDAY, MARCH FOURTEENTH (14th) 2009 AT THE **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**.

2. To see if the Town is in favor of implementing a "pay as you throw" program at the Transfer Station/Recycling Center.

3. To see if the Town will vote to form a committee comprised of one Selectman, the Transfer Station/Recycling Center Supervisor and five (5) residents. Committee members will be chosen by the Board of Selectmen after a review of letters of interest from those willing to serve on this committee. Futhermore, to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000. for the purpose of funding this committee whose charge will be to research and establish procedural guidelines, fees and any other costs associated with implementation of the "pay as you throw" program. This article is contingent on Article 2 passing.

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $285,000. for the purpose of design engineering and construction of a replacement bridge on Northwood/Bow Lake Road (Bridge No. 085/040) and to authorize the withdrawal of $37,000. from the Bridge Repairs Capital Reserve Fund and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept a bridge grant in the amount of $228,000, with the balance of $20,000 to be raised by general taxation.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $221,000. for Capital Improvements with ditchwork, culverts, gravel and paving of the following roads at the discretion of the Road Agent, as funding permits:

a. The Canaan Road from the Barrington town line to the intersection of Route 202A

b. Beaver Dam Estates – Birch Road, Kendall Lane and Beaver Road.

c. The Province Road, from the end of the 2006 paving West.

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $30,000. to chip brush and clean up debris from damages associated with the ice storm of December 11, 2008. Funding to be as follows; $22,500. from FEMA, and the balance of $7,500. to be raised by general taxation.

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000. for the purchase of a generator for the Police Department.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $10,000. for Emergency Management supplies and a trailer to be used as a mobile on-scene command center, and for storage of associated equipment and supplies (i.e. traffic cones, road signs, etc.).

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $30,000. for the purchase of a generator for the Strafford Town Hall.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $209,740. for the operation and maintenance of the Strafford Fire Department and Rescue Squad.

11. To see if the Town will vote to re-allocate the distribution of revenues received for ambulance services, so that 100% goes to the special revenue fund known as the Rescue Vehicle and Equipment Fund established by Article 8 at the March 14, 2000 Town Meeting.

12. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Ambulance Services revolving fund created in 2008 pursuant to RSA 31:95-h. Said Funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, in the amount of $11,501. are to be transferred to the Town's general fund. This article is contingent on Article 11 passing.

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $11,501. to be placed in the special revenue fund known as the Rescue Vehicle and Equipment Fund established by Article 8 at the March 14, 2000 Town Meeting, pursuant to RSA 31:95-c. This sum to come from the unreserved fund balance and no amount to be raised by general taxation. This article is contingent upon Articles 11and 12 passing.

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $80,000. to be used for the third year's payment on the five year lease agreement for the purpose of leasing to own a new pumper/tanker as voted by Article 15, at the 2007 Town Meeting. This lease agreement contains an escape clause.

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $165,743. to be used for the final payment of any balance due on the five year lease agreement for the purpose of leasing to own a new pumper/tanker as voted by Article 15, at the 2007 Town Meeting. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. Furthermore, to authorize the withdrawal of $165,743. from the Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose. No funding to come from general taxation.

16. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to RSA 35:1 for the purpose of future Fire Department building improvements and/or construction, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $25,000. to be placed in this fund, and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend.

17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $51,500. for the purchase of a new monitor/AED, lift assist cot, auto-pulse CPR board and equipment mandated by State protocol changes, and to authorize the withdrawal of $51,500. from the special revenue fund known as the Rescue Vehicle and Equipment Fund established by Article 8 at the March 14, 2000 Town Meeting for this purpose. No funding to come from general taxation.

18. To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of police special details. All revenues received for police special details will be deposited into the fund, and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the Town's general fund unreserved fund balance. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all moneys in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the governing body and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created.

19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $433,698. for the operation and maintenance of the Police Department.

20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $35,000. for the purchase of a police vehicle and equipment and to authorize the withdrawal of $3,000. from the Capital Reserve Fund established for this purpose. The balance of $32,000. to come from general taxation.

21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $20,000. to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund established by Article 8 in 2007 pursuant to RSA 35:1, for the purpose of repairs and/or replacement of the Town owned dock located on Water Street.

22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,113,595. for general Town operations.

Executive	$ 64,317.
Election & Registration	22,188.
Financial Administration	67,062.
Appraisal of Property & Tax Maps	36,500.
Legal Expenses	10,000.
Employee Benefits, FICA, Medi & Unemp. Comp	32,145.
Planning and Zoning	8,500.
General Government Building	26,300.
Auto Permits/Town Clerk Fees	27,250.
Insurance	37,700.
Advertising and Regional Association	3,082.
Strafford Regional Planning Comm. Dues	4,525.
Contingency Fund	15,000.
Annual CPA Audit	10,890.
Ambulance	1,000.
Emergency Management	2,500.
Building Inspection	20,000.
General Highway Expenses and Town Maintenance	341,500.
Street Lighting	3,863.
Solid Waste Disposal	233,700.
Animal Control	4,200.
Health Inspector	400.
Rochester District Visiting Nurse Assoc	4,030.
General Assistance and Welfare	38,000.
Community Action	1,500.
Sexual Assault Support Services	992.
My Friend's Place	200.

The Homemakers of Strafford County	1,260.
CHANCES	2,500.
Parks and Recreation	15,000.
Library	61,966.
Patriotic Purposes and Fire Works	4,800.
Conservation Commission	225.
Interest Expense & Tax Anticipation Notes	2,000.
Transfer Station/Recycling Center Monitoring	8,500.
TOTAL	$ 1,113,595.

[The intent of this article is to raise the sum of $1,113,595. exclusive of all other Articles addressed.]

23. To see if the Town will vote accept the following ordinance:

Acceptance of Credit Cards. The Tax Collector will be allowed to accept credit card payments pursuant to RSA 80:52-c for the collection of local taxes, charges generated by the sale of utility services or other fees. The Town may add to the amount due, in addition to any interest and penalties payable, a service charge for the acceptance of the card. The amount of the service charge shall be disclosed at the time of the billing. The Board of Selectmen in coordination with the Tax Collector may adopt rules and regulations regarding the collection procedures.

24. "Shall the town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 36-A:4-a, I(b) to authorize the Conservation Commission to expend funds for contributions to 'qualified organizations' for the purchase of property interests, or facilitating transactions related therto, where the property interest is to be held by the qualified organization and the Town will retain no interest in the property?"

25. "Shall the Town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 36-A:4-a I(a) to authorize the Conservation Commission to expend funds to purchase interests in land outside the boundaries of our municipality, subject to the approval of the governing body?"

26. "Shall the Town vote to expand the Veterans' Tax Credit from $200.00 to $400.00 per year in accordance with RSA 72:28." (by petition.)

27. "Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the town of Strafford, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, $30,000.; for a person 75 years up to 80 years, $40,000.; for a person 80 years of age or older $50,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such a person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than $40,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less than $60,000.; and own assets not in excess of $200,000 excluding the value of the person's actual residence and up to 2 acres or the minimum single family residential lot size specified in the local zoning ordinance." (by petition.)

28. "To direct the Selectmen of the Town of Strafford to cap any increase of their Annual Budget to any projected increase in revenue above the last Annual Budget and in no case to increase the Annual Budget more than the rate of inflation, as defined by the "National Consumer Price Index-(Urban/Rural)" (CPI-U/R) as averaged over the twelve months preceding the vote on the new Annual Budget." (by petition.)

29. "We, the undersigned, being legal voters in the Town of Strafford, hereby petition the Board of Selectmen of said Town to place the following article on the warrant for the 2009 annual meeting.

New Hampshire Energy Efficiency Initiative

To see if the town will vote to direct the Selectmen to utilize state and federal funds to maximize energy efficiency in town buildings and cut municipal energy costs.

The Selectmen will:

1. Work with the town's utility to conduct a comprehensive energy survey free of charge for all municipal buildings to identify cost-effective, energy-efficiency improvements that would reduce energy use and town energy costs.

2. Apply for all state and federal programs applicable to the town that direct resources to municipalities for the purposes of energy efficiency and infrastructure improvements of town buildings.

3. Use available state and federal funds to complete low cost energy-efficiency improvements to town buildings." (by petition.)

30. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 17th day of February, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Nine.

Selectmen of Strafford

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

REPORT FROM THE SELECTMAN'S OFFICE

Town and School elections will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2009. The polls will be open from 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. for voting purposes. Article 1, to choose the necessary officers, will be voted on at this time. Articles 2 through 20 will be presented for consideration at 8:30 A.M. on Saturday, March 14, 2009.

This year was an eventful one for the Town of Strafford. After record snowfall levels last winter, we embarked upon a summer of unsettled weather which included punishing rains and tornadoes that greatly affected our neighbors and largely spared us. Our year finished with a December ice storm that left many without power for a week or more and wrought havoc on the day-to-day life of Strafford residents. In between, the Northwood Bridge was closed by the state, a new town hall was erected, and the engineering of our town dock was sent out to bid.

Over the past year, we have completed the following projects: Construction of a new Town Hall, delivery of the existing Town Hall to the school, and paving as described in Article 4. We would like to take the opportunity to thank Whitcher Builders and Tony Fallon Architecture for all they have done to make the new Town Hall a reality.

In the midst of all these challenges and accomplishments, we have dealt with the consequences of a failing economy, both with respect to our tax base and fulfilling our welfare obligations to Strafford's neediest residents. According all due respect to the hardworking taxpayers of this town, we have held every department to a 0% increase in net appropriations, including warrant articles, over last year's budget.

This year we come to you with warrant articles that are a direct result of lessons learned over the past year and this board's view to the future. Article 2 presents the pros and cons of instituting a "Pay As You Throw" program in Strafford and asks you, the voter, to decide whether this is a desired change for our community. The ice storm was an enormous learning opportunity, as we realized just how vulnerable Strafford is in a state of emergency. As a result, Articles 7 – 9 request your approval of generators for the town hall and police station, as well as funding for emergency management equipment. The Fire Department seeks to update its medical equipment to provide a greater scope of medical care as mandated by the state. Realizing that full time fire/medical coverage is several years down the road, we propose to unite the two ambulance funds established last year to put the money where it is best spent – on patient care. We are also seeking to address several critical station needs through the establishment of a building capital reserve fund. We further seek to pay the newest engine off early, placing us in the enviable position of a town with no debt. Last but not least, the Police Department's 4-wheel drive vehicle is finally beyond repair, and we request the funding to replace it.

The board serves, but it does not serve alone. Our visions become reality through the efforts of the Road Agent, the Recycling Center Team, the Police Department, the Fire Department, and all the residents and companies that have volunteered their time and energy on commission, boards, committees, and various special projects. We thank you all.

This year ended on a somber note. Even as we were preparing for the budget hearing, former Selectman Gloria Creamer passed away. We will greatly miss her dedication to the town, the office, and the people who serve them both.

Respectfully,

R. Stephen Leighton
Lynn Sweet
Stephanie Gray

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BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF: STRAFFORD

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. All proposed appropriations must be on this form.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): February 19, 2009

GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

Please sign in ink.

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive	22	64,075.	64,026.	64,317.	
4140-4149	Auto & Town Clerk Fees Election,Reg.& Vital Statistics	22	48,938.	47,279.	49,438.	
4150-4151	Financial Administration & CPA Audit	22	77,952.	69,048.	77,952.	
4152	Tax Maps & Appraisal Revaluation of Property	22	36,500.	34,644.	36,500.	
4153	Legal Expense	22	20,000.	5,697.	10,000.	
4155-4159	FICA, MPDT, Unemp Comp Personnel Administration	22	33,145.	30,119.	32,145.	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	22	8,500.	4,248.	8,500.	
4194	General Government Buildings	22	16,969.	17,539.	26,300.	
4195	Cemeteries					
4196	Insurance	22	36,700.	37,323.	37,700.	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc. & SRPC Dues	22	7,607.	7,594.	7,607.	
4199	Contingency Other General Government	22	15,000.	14,698.	15,000.	
	PUBLIC SAFETY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
210-4214	Police	19	433,430.	432,420.	433,698.	
215-4219	Ambulance	22	5,000.	0	1,000.	
220-4229	Fire & Rescue	10	209,740.	210,716.	209,740.	
240-4249	Building Inspection	22	20,000.	10,541.	20,000.	
290-4298	Emergency Management	22	1,500.	1,465.	2,500.	
4299	Other (Incl. Communications)					
	AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
301-4309	Airport Operations					
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4311	Gen HWY & Road Mnt Administration	22	357,500.	357,915.	341,500.	
4312	Highways & Streets					
4313	Bridges					
4316	Street Lighting	22	3,863.	3,630.	3,863.	
4319	Other					
	SANITATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration	22	233,700.	220,502.	233,700.	
4323	Solid Waste Collection					
4324	Solid Waste Disposal					
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up					
26-4329	Trnsf/Recyc Ctr Monitrng Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other	22	12,000.	11,026	8,500.	

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	WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration					
4332	Water Services					
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other					
	ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation					
4353	Purchase Costs					
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance					
4359	Other Electric Costs					
	HEALTH		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration	22	400.	0	400.	
4414	Pest Control Animal Cntrl	22	4,200.	2,602.	4,200.	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other Roch Dist. VNA	22	5,037.	5,037.	4,030.	
	WELFARE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.	22	28,000.	22,415.	38,000.	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts					
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & other Comm Actn, Svl Asslt Support, Chances, Homeless Shelter, My Frnds Pl	22	6,404.	6,404.	6,452.	
	CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	22	17,500.	14,317.	15,000.	
4550-4559	Library	22	61,709.	60,709.	61,966.	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	22	4,500.	4,528.	4,800.	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation					
	CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources	22	750.	727.	225.	
4619	Other Conservation					
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING					
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
	DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		73,839.	73,839.	0	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		860.	860.	0	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes	22	2,000.	0	2,000.	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service					

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	CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4901	Land	5	171,000.	171,000.	221,000.	
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment					
4903	Buildings					
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.					
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund					
4913	To Capital Projects Fund					
4914	To Enterprise Fund					
	Sewer-					
	Water-					
	Electric-					
	Airport-					
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund*					
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917*					
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds*					
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds					
4919	To Fiduciary Funds					
	OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL		2,018,318.	1,942,868	1,978,033	

Use special warrant article section on next page.

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SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3,VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserv e funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the w arrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
4915	CRF Rpr/Rpl Town Dock	21	20,000.	20,000.	20,000.	
4915	CRF F/R Bldg Imp & Const	16	0	0	25,000.	
4915	CRF Police Veh & Eq.		20,000.	20,000.	0	
4915	NCRF Bldg Rpr/Const		7,000.	7,000.	0	
SPECIAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	45,000.	XXXXXXXXX

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special w arrant articles". Individual warrant articles might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature y ou wish to address individually.

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
4909	Pay as you Throw Comm	3	0	0	5,000.	
4901	Northwood/Bow L Bridge	4	0	0	285,000.	
4901	Ice Storm Clean-up	6	0	0	30,000.	
4902	Police Dept. Gen	7	0	0	5,000.	
4902	Emerg Mngmt Equip/Suppl	8	0	0	10,000.	
4902	Town Hall Generator	9	0	0	30,000.	
4912	Spec Rev Rescue Veh & E	13	0	0	11,501.	
4902	Pumpr/Tankr Lease Purch	14	80,000.	80,000.	80,000.	
4902	Pumpr/Tankr Final	15	0	0	165,743.	
4902	Major Med Equip	17	0	0	51,500.	
4902	Police Vehicle	20	0	0	35,000.	
4902	Forest Fire Fgtng Eq		4,700.	1,661.	0	
4903	Muni Bldg		524,000.	523,928.	0	
INDIVIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	708,744.	XXXXXXXXX

* Offset by revenue on page 7.
** Partially offset by revenues on page 7.
*** Offset by revenue on page 7

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1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
	TAXES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund				
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		13,548.	17,468.	23,864.
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		65,000.	72,878.	67,000.
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax ($.02 cents per cu yd)				
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits				
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	22	620,000.	623,385.	618,000.
3230	Building Permits	22	14,000.	15,616.	15,000.
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	22	25,000.	27,188.	25,000.
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT				
	FROM STATE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		16,492.	33,854.	16,492.
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		178,487.	178,487.	178,487.
3353	Highway Block Grant		105,207.	104,846.	107,328.
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (including Railroad Tax) State Bridge Aid (4) FEMA (6)	4,6	16,772.	14,772.	250,500.
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS CHKV Grant/Road Details	19	8,000.	5,246.	4,000.
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
401-3406	Income from Departments		35,000.	50,110.	45,000.
3409	Other Charges Planning Bd/Bd of Adj		10,000.	8,012.	8,000.
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property Fire Trucks		3,002.	9,351.	0
3502	Interest on Investments		60,000.	45,603.	40,000.
503-3509	Other Reimb Welfare Lien		12,201.	12,201.	0

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MS-6 Budget - Town of STRAFFORD FY 2009

1	2	3	4	5	6	
Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year	
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx	
3912	From Special Revenue Funds	17	0	0	51,500.	*
3913	From Capital Projects Funds					
3914	From Enterprise Funds					
	Sewer - (Offset)					
	Water - (Offset)					
	Electric - (Offset)					
	Airport - (Offset)					
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	4,15,20	350,000.	350,000.	205,743.	**
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds					
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds					
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx	
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes					
	Amount VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")	13	0	0	11,501.	**
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes		200,000.	200,000.	200,000.	
	TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS		1,732,709.	1,769,017.	1,867,415.	

BUDGET SUMMARY

	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	2,018,318.	1,978,033.
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	47,000.	45,000.
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	608,700.	708,744.
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	2,674,018.	2,731,777.
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	1,732,709.	1,867,415.
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	941,309.	864,362.

* Offsets expenditure on page 5.
** Partially offsets expenditures on page 5.
*** Offsets expenditure on page 5.

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Part III **GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET- Please specify the period**
December 31, 2008

	Account Number (a)	Beginning of year (b)	End of year (c)
			Modified Accrual
A. ASSETS			
1. Current assets			
a. Cash and equivalents	1010	$ 2,838,576	$ 1,005,988
b. Investments	1030	784,401	2,304,400
c. Taxes receivable	1080	680,925	731,455
d. Tax liens receivable	1110	168,490	222,826
e. Accounts receivable	1150	41	-
f. Due from other governments	1260	-	12,428
g. Due from other funds	1310	-	12,950
h. Other current assets	1400	-	-
i. Tax deeded property (subject to resale)	1670	-	-
j. **TOTAL ASSETS (Should equal line B3)**		$ 4,472,433	$ 4,290,047
B. LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
1. Current liabilities			
a. Warrants and accounts payable	2020	$ 103,881	$ 21,666
b. Accrued expenses	2030	-	-
c. Contracts payable	2050	-	-
d. Due to other governments	2070	-	-
e. Due to school districts	2075	3,514,437	3,487,392
f. Due to other funds	2080	-	-
g. Deferred revenue	2220	-	-
h. Notes payable - Current	2230	-	-
i. Bonds payable - Current	2250	-	-
j. Other payables	2270	-	-
k. **TOTAL LIABILITIES**		$ 3,618,318	$ 3,509,058
2. Fund equity			
a. Reserve for encumbrances	2440	$ 24,163	$ 12,140
b. Reserve for continuing appropriations	2450	-	7,000
c. Reserve for amounts voted from surplus	2460	-	-
d. Reserve for special purposes	2490	-	-
e. Unreserved fund balance	2530	829,952	761,849
f. **TOTAL FUND EQUITY**		$ 854,115	$ 780,989
3. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY ***(Should equal line A1i)***		$ 4,472,433	$ 4,290,047

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ACTUALLY VOTED

(RSA 21-J:34)

Date of Meeting: March 22, 2008

Town/City Of: Strafford **County:** Strafford

Mailing Address: PO Box 23

Center Strafford, NH 03815

Phone #: 664-2192, Ext. 10 **Fax #:** 664-7276 **E-Mail:**

Certificate of Appropriations

(To be Completed After each Annual and Special Meeting)

This is to certify that the information contained in this form, appropriations actually voted by the town/city meeting, was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Governing Body (Selectmen)

Please sign in ink.

Date: April 8, 2008

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MUNICIPAL SERVICES
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Department of Revenue Administration
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive	15	64,075.	
4140-4149	Auto & Town Clerk Fees Election,Reg.& Vital Statistics	15	48,938.	
4150-4151	Financial Administration & CPA	15	77,952.	
4152	Idx Maps & Appraisal Revaluation of Property	15	36,500.	
4153	Legal Expense	15	20,000.	
4155-4159	FICA, Medi,Unemp Comp Personnel Administration	15	33,145.	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	15	8,500.	
4194	General Government Buildings	15	16,969.	
4195	Cemeteries			
4196	Insurance	15	36,700.	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc. & SRPC Dues	15	7,607.	
4199	Contingency Fund Other General Government	15	15,000.	
	PUBLIC SAFETY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police	6	433,430.	
4215-4219	Ambulance	15	5,000.	
4220-4229	Fire & Rescue	8	209,740.	
4240-4249	Building Inspection	15	20,000.	
4290-4298	Emergency Management	15	1,500.	
4299	Other (including Communications)			
	AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations			
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4311	General Hwy.& Rd. Mnt. Administration	15	357,500.	
4312	Highways & Streets			
4313	Bridges			
4316	Street Lighting	15	3,863.	
4319	Other			
	SANITATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration	15	233,700.	
4323	Solid Waste Collection			
4324	Solid Waste Disposal			
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up			
4326-4329	Transf/Recy Ctr Monitoring Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other	15	12,000.	
	WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration			
4332	Water Services			
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other			
	ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4351-4359	Electrical Operations			

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Department of Revenue Administration
	HEALTH		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration	15	400.	
4414	Pest Control Animal Control	15	4,200.	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other IRRD/VNA	15	5,037.	
	WELFARE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.	15	28,000.	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts			
* 4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other	15	6,404.	
	CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	15	17,500.	
4550-4559	Library	15	61,709.	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	15	4,500.	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation			
	CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources	15	750.	
4619	Other Conservation			
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING			
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			
	DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes	15	73,839.	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	15	860.	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Note	15	2,000.	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service			
	CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4901	Land	4	171,000.	
** 4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	11,12	84,700.	
4903	Buildings	2	524,000.	
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs			
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund			
4913	To Capital Projects Fund			
4914	To Proprietary Fund			
	Sewer-			
	Water-			
	Electric-			
	Airport-			
** 4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	5,7,14	47,000.	
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except 4917			
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds			
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds			
4919	To Agency Funds			
	TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS		2,674,018.	

*4445-4449 Article 15 (1,500.)Comm. Action, (992.)Sexual Asslt. Spprt.Srvcs. (200) My Friend's Place, (1,212.) Hmmkrs. Straff. Cnty.,(2,500.) CHANCES

**4902 Article 11 (80,000.) Pmpr.Tnkr. Lease/Purchase, Article 12 (4,700.)Forest Fire Fgtng.Equip.

**4915 Article 5 (7,000.) NCRF Bridge Repair/Constr., Article 7 (20,000.) CRF Future Police Vehicles/Equip., Article 14 (20,000.) CRF Rpr/Repl. Town Dock

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REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES (RSA 21-J:34)

City/Town: STRAFFORD FY: 2008

ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	FOR USE BY MUNICIPALITY	RESERVED FOR USE by DRA
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property Art. 3 and Fire Truck	3	3,002.	✓
3502	Interest on Investments	15	60,000.	
3503-3509	Other Reimb Eld/Welfare Lien		12,201.	
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds			
3913	From Capital Projects Funds			
3914	From Enterprise Funds			
	Sewer - (Offset)			
	Water - (Offset)			
	Electric - (Offset)			
	Airport - (Offset)			
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	2	350,000.	✓
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds			
3917	From Conservation Funds			
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes			
	SUBTOTAL OF REVENUES		~~1,522,885.~~	1532709 ✓
For Municipal Use	**"General Fund Balance"**			
$ 784663	Unreserved Fund Balance		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
$	Less Emergency Approp. (RSA 32:11)		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
$	Less Voted From "Surplus" →			
$ 200000	Less Fund Balance - Reduce Taxes →		200,000.	
$ 584663	Fund Balance - Retained		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
	TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS		~~1,722,885.~~	1732709 ✓

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REQUESTED OVERLAY (RSA 76:6) $ 30,000. ✓

Ellen J. White Administrator
PREPARER'S SIGNATURE AND TITLE

10/21/08
DATE

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487

SUBMIT BY SEPTEMBER 1 TO THE ADDRESS ABOVE

* Revenue will partially offset Art. 2.

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REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES (RSA 21-J:34)

City/Town: STRAFFORD FY: 2008

ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	FOR USE BY MUNICIPALITY	RESERVED FOR USE by DRA
	TAXES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Tax 100%			
3180	Resident Tax			
3185	Timber Tax		13,548.	
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes MSI			Ø
3189	Other Taxes			
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		65,000.	
	Inventory Penalties			
3187	Excavation Tax ($.02 cents per cu yd)			
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits			
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	15	620,000.	
3230	Building Permits	15	14,000.	
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	15	25,000.	
3311-3319	**FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**			
	FROM STATE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		16,492.	√
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		~~168,663.~~	178487
3353	Highway Block Grant		105,207.	√
3354	Water Pollution Grant			
3355	Housing & Community Development			
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	MSI		Ø
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement			
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax) RR = Ø	12,15	16,772.	√
3379	OHRV Grant/OHRV Details	6	8,000.	
	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS			
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments	15	35,000.	
3409	Other Charges Planning Bd/Bd of Adj	15	10,000.	

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* $14,772. (Landfill Closure Reimb) partially offsets Art. 15
$ 2,000. (Fire Fighting Equip) partially offsets Art. 12

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NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION
FORM MS-1 FOR 2008
Municipal Services Division
PO Box 487, Concord, NH 03302-0487 Phone (603) 271-2687
E-mail: nduffy@rev.state.nh.us

Original Date: _____ 2008
Copy (check box if copy) ☐
Revision Date: _____

CITY/TOWN OF STRAFFORD IN STRAFFORD COUNTY

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.
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PRINT NAMES OF CITY/TOWN OFFICIALS	SIGNATURES OF CITY/TOWN OFFICIALS (Sign in ink)
R. Stephen Leighton	
Lynn Sweet	
Stephanie Gray	

Date signed 10/21/08
City/Town Telephone # (603) 664-2192 ext.10

Check one: Governing Body ☒ Assessors ☐
Due Date: September 1, 2008

Complete the above required certification by inserting the name of the city/town officials, the date on which the certificate is signed, and have the majority of the members of the board of selectmen/assessing officials sign in ink.

REPORTS REQUIRED: RSA 21-J:34, as amended, provides for certification of valuations, appropriations, estimated revenues and such other information as the Department of Revenue Administration may require upon forms prescribed for that purpose.

NOTE: The values and figures provided represent the detailed values that are used in the city/town tax assessments and sworn to uphold under oath per RSA 75:7. Please complete all applicable pages and refer to the instructions (pages 10 through 15) provided for individual items.

THIS FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DRA NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1st.

Village Districts - pages 8-9 must be completed for EACH village district within the municipality.

RETURN THIS SIGNED AND COMPLETED INVENTORY FORM TO: NH Department of Revenue Administration, Municipal Services Division, PO Box 487, Concord, NH 03302-0487.

Contact Person: Ellen J. White (Print/type) **E-Mail Address:** _____

Regular office hours: Mon, Tues, Wed 9 - 12 Noon

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NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

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LAND BUILDINGS	Lines 1A, B, C, D, E & F List all improved and unimproved land (include wells, septic & paving) Lines 2 A, B, C and D List all buildings	NUMBER OF ACRES	2008 ASSESSED VALUATION By CITY/TOWN
1	VALUE OF LAND ONLY - Exclude Amount Listed in Lines 3A, 3B and 4		
	A Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A (See page 10)	21,950.	$ 2,185,400.
	B Conservation Restriction Assessment (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-B		$
	C Discretionary Easement RSA 79-C		$
	D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	.11	$ 4,000.
	E Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved Land)	6,733.	$ 245,878,800.
	F Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT Include Utility Land)	157.	$ 2,517,100.
	G Total of Taxable Land (Sum of lines 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E and 1F)	28,840.11	$ 250,585,300.
	H Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land ($ 6,225,300.)	1,829.	

2	VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY - Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A and 3B		
	A Residential		$ 233,076,100.
	B Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 874:31		$ 4,605,600.
	C Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT Include Utility Buildings)		$ 2,740,000.
	D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D Number of Structures	2	$ 29,500.
	E Total of Taxable Buildings (Sum of lines 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D)		$ 240,451,200.
	F Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings ($ 7,144,900.)		

3	UTILITIES (see RSA 83-F:1V for complete definition)		
	A Utilities (Real estate/buildings/structures/machinery/dynamos/apparatus/poles/wires/fixtures of all kinds and descriptions/pipelines etc.)		$ 2,712,300.
	B Other Utilities (Total of Section B From Utility Summary)		$ 20,300.

4	MATURE WOOD AND TIMBER RSA 79:5		$
5	VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS (Total of Lines 1G, 2E, 3A, 3B and 4) This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality.		$ 493,769,100.
6	Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a (Paraplegic and Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with VA Assistance) Total # granted		$
7	Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b Total # granted		$
8	Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a Total # granted		$
9	School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV (Standard Exemption up to $150,000 for each) (See page 10) Total # granted		$
10	Water/Air Pollution Control Exemptions RSA 72:12-a Total # granted		$
11	MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES (Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10) This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value for your municipality.		$
12	Blind Exemption RSA 72:37 Total # granted		$
	Amount granted per exemption	$	
13	Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a & b Total # granted	10	$ 363,700.
14	Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b Total # granted		$
	Amount granted per exemption	$	
15	Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b Total # granted	3	$
	Amount granted per exemption	$ 30,000.	90,000.

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16	**Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption** RSA 72:70	Total # granted		$
17	**Solar Energy Exemption** RSA 72:62	Total # granted		$
18	**Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption** RSA 72:66	Total # granted		$
19	**Additional School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption** RSA 72:23 IV (Amounts in excess of $150,000 exemption)	Total # granted		$
20	**TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS** (Sum of Lines 12-19)			$ 453,700.
21	**NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED** (Line 11 minus Line 20)			$ 493,315,400.
22	**LESS Utilities** (Line 3A) Do NOT include the value of OTHER utilities listed in Line 3B			$ 2,712,300.
23	**NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED** (Line 21 minus Line 22)			$ 490,603,100.

Additional notes (example: update, reveal changes to exemptions, mapping, increases to value, decreases to value, etc.)

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NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

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UTILITY SUMMARY: ELECTRIC, HYDROELECTRIC, RENEWABLE-MISC., NUCLEAR, GAS/PIPELINES WATER & SEWER RSA 83-F

List by individual company/legal entity the valuation of operating plants employed in the production, distribution and transmission of electricity, gas pipeline, water and petroleum products. Include ONLY the names of the companies listed on the Instruction Sheets. (See Instruction page 11)

DOES YOUR MUNICIPALITY USE THE DRA UTILITY VALUES?	YES ☐	NO ☒
IF YES, DO YOU EQUALIZE IT BY THE RATIO? (please check appropriate box if applicable)	YES ☐	NO ☐

SECTION A: LIST ELECTRIC COMPANIES (Attach additional sheet if needed.) (See Instruction page 11)	2008 VALUATION
Public Service Company of New Hampshire	$ 2,669,300.
	$
	$
	$
	$
	$
	$
A1 TOTAL OF ALL ELECTRIC COMPANIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION (See instructions page 11 for the names of the limited number of companies)	$ 2,669,300.

GAS, OIL & PIPELINE COMPANIES	
	$
	$
	$
A2 TOTAL OF ALL GAS COMPANIES LISTED (See instructions page 11 for the names of the limited number of companies)	$

WATER & SEWER COMPANIES	
North Country Water Supply	$ 43,000.
	$
	$
A3 TOTAL OF ALL WATER & SEWER COMPANIES LISTED (See instructions page 11 for the names of the limited number of companies)	$ 43,000.

GRAND TOTAL VALUATION OF ALL A UTILITY COMPANIES (Sum of Lines A1, A2, and A3) This grand total of all sections must agree with the total listed on page 2, Line 3A.	$ 2,712,300.

SECTION B: LIST OTHER UTILITY COMPANIES (Exclude telephone companies) (Attach additional sheet if needed.)	2008 VALUATION
City of Rochester	$ 20,300.
	$
	$
B TOTAL OF ALL OTHER COMPANIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION B. Total must agree with total listed on Page 2, Line 3B.	$ 20,300.

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TAX CREDITS	LIMITS	*NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS	ESTIMATED TAX CREDITS
RSA 72:28 Veterans' Tax Credit / Optional Veterans' Tax Credit $50 Standard Credit $51 up to $500 upon adoption by city or town	$ 200.	193	$ 38,600.
RSA 72:29-a Surviving Spouse "The surviving spouse of any person who was killed or died while on active duty in the armed forces of the United States..." $700 Standard Credit $701 up to $2,000 upon adoption by city or town	$		$
RSA 72:35 Tax Credit for Service-Connected Total Disability "Any person who has been honorably discharged from the military service of the United States and who has total and permanent service-connected disability, or who is a double amputee or paraplegic because of service-connected injury..." $700 Standard Credit $701 up to $2,000 upon adoption by city or town	$ 700.	4	$ 2,800.
TOTAL NUMBER AND AMOUNT		197	$ 41,400.

*If both husband & wife/civil union partner qualify for the credit they count as 2.
*If someone is living at a residence such as brother & sister, and one qualifies, count as 1, not one-half.

DISABLED EXEMPTION REPORT				
INCOME LIMITS:	SINGLE	$ 20,000.	ASSET LIMITS: SINGLE	$ 35,000.
	MARRIED / CIVIL UNION PARTNER	$ 30,000.	MARRIED / CIVIL UNION PARTNER	$ 35,000.

DEAF EXEMPTION REPORT				
INCOME LIMITS:	SINGLE	$	ASSET LIMITS: SINGLE	$
	MARRIED / CIVIL UNION PARTNER	$	MARRIED / CIVIL UNION PARTNER	$

ELDERLY EXEMPTION REPORT - RSA 72:39-a

NUMBER OF FIRST TIME FILERS GRANTED ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR CURRENT YEAR		PER AGE CATEGORY	TOTAL NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED AN ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR THE CURRENT YEAR & TOTAL AMOUNT OF EXEMPTION GRANTED			
AGE	#	AMOUNT PER INDIVIDUAL	AGE	#	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE EXEMPTION AMOUNT	TOTAL ACTUAL EXEMPTION AMOUNT
65 - 74		$ 30,000.	65 - 74	3	$ 90,000.	$ 63,700.
75 - 79		$ 40,000.	75 - 79	5	$ 200,000.	$ 200,000.
80 +		$ 50,000.	80 +	2	$ 100,000.	$ 100,000.
			TOTAL	10	$ 390,000.	$ 363,700.

INCOME LIMITS:	SINGLE	$ 20,000.	ASSET LIMIT: SINGLE	$ 75,000.
	MARRIED / CIVIL UNION PARTNER	$ 30,000.	MARRIED / CIVIL UNION PARTNER	$ 75,000.

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DISCRETIONARY PRESERVATION EASEMENTS - RSA 79-D Historic Agricultural Structures		
TOTAL NUMBER OF STRUCTURES IN DISCRETIONARY PRESERVATION EASEMENTS	DESCRIPTION OF DISCRETIONARY PRESERVATION EASEMENTS GRANTED: (i.e.: Barns, Silos, etc.) MAP & LOT - PERCENTAGE GRANTED	
2	1 Barn 011-004 50%	10
TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES	2 Barn 010-013 75%	11
.11	3	12
	4	13
ASSESSED VALUATION	5	14
$ 4,000. L/O	6	15
$ 29,500. B/O	7	16
TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS	8	17
2	9	18

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF) DISTRICTS RSA 162-K	TIF#1	TIF#2	TIF#3	TIF#4
Date of adoption/modification	mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy
Original assessed value	$	$	$	$
+ Unretained captured assessed value	$	$	$	$
= Amounts used on Page 2 (tax rates)	$	$	$	$
+ Retained captured assessed value	$	$	$	$
Current assessed value	$	$	$	$

*LIST REVENUES RECEIVED FROM PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES Amounts listed below should not be included in assessed valuation column on page 2.	MUNICIPALITY	LIST SOURCE(S) OF PAYMENT In Lieu of Taxes Number of Acres
State and Federal Forest Land, Recreation, and/or Flood Control Land From MS-4, acct. 3356 & 3357	$	
White Mountain National Forest, Only acct. 3186	$	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	$	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	$	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	$	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	$	
TOTALS of account 3186 (Exclude WMNF)	$	

* RSA 362-A:6 was reinstated, effective 4/1/2006. This statute allows municipalities to enter into payment in lieu of tax agreements with small scale power facilities. However, these new PILOT agreements are also taxable under RSA 83-F.

Questions regarding these laws please consult with the DRA Utility Tax Appraiser at (603) 271-2687.

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CURRENT USE REPORT - RSA 79-A				
	TOTAL No. ACRES RECEIVING CURRENT USE ASSESSMENT	ASSESSED VALUATION	OTHER CURRENT USE STATISTICS	TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES
FARM LAND	1,126.	$ 387,200.	RECEIVING 20% RECREATION ADJUSTMENT	7986
FOREST LAND	13,858	$ 1,467,300.	REMOVED FROM CURRENT USE DURING CURRENT YEAR	0
FOREST LAND W/DOCUMENTED STEWARDSHIP	5,415.	$ 309,900.		TOTAL NUMBER
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND	68	$ 900.	TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS IN CURRENT USE	360
WET LAND	1,483	$ 20,100.	TOTAL NUMBER OF PARCELS IN CURRENT USE	567
TOTAL (must match page 2)	21,950	$ 2,185,400.		

LAND USE CHANGE TAX			
GROSS MONIES RECEIVED FOR CALENDAR YEAR (January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007)			0
CONSERVATION ALLOCATION: PERCENTAGE 100 0%	AND/OR	DOLLAR AMOUNT	
MONIES TO CONSERVATION FUND			$ 0
MONIES TO GENERAL FUND			$ 0

CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT REPORT - RSA 79-B				
	TOTAL No. ACRES RECEIVING CONS. RES. ASSESSMENT.	ASSESSED VALUATION	OTHER CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT STATISTICS	TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES
FARM LAND		$	RECEIVING 20% RECREATION ADJUSTMENT	
FOREST LAND		$	REMOVED FROM CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT DURING CURRENT YEAR	
FOREST LAND WITH/DOCUMENTED STEWARDSHIP		$		
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND		$		TOTAL NUMBER
WET LAND		$	TOTAL No. OF OWNERS IN CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	
TOTAL (must match page 2)		$	TOTAL No. OF PARCELS IN CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	

DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS - RSA 79-C		
TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES IN DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS	TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS GRANTED DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS	DESCRIPTION OF DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS GRANTED: Map/Lot-Percentage Granted (i.e. Golf Course, Ball Park, etc.)
		1
ASSESSED VALUATION		2
$		3
		4

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LAND / BUILDINGS	Lines 1A, B, C, D, E & F List all improved and unimproved land (Include wells, septic & paving) Lines 2 A, B, C and D List all buildings	NUMBER OF ACRES	2008 ASSESSED VALUATION By CITY/TOWN
1	**VALUE OF LAND ONLY** - Exclude Amount Listed In Lines 3A, 3B and 4 A Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A		$
	B Conservation Restriction Assessment (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-B		$
	C Discretionary Easement RSA 79-C		$
	D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D		$
	E Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved Land)		$
	F Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT Include Utility Land)		$
	G Total of Taxable Land (Sum of lines 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E and 1F)		$
	H Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land ($)		
2	**VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY** - Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A and 3B A Residential		$
	B Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31		$
	C Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT Include Utility Buildings)		$
	D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D Number of Structures		$
	E Total of Taxable Buildings (sum of Lines 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D)		$
	F Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings ($)		
3	**UTILITIES (see RSA 83-F:1 V for complete definition) within district** A Utilities (Real Estate/buildings/structures/machinery/dynamos/apparatus/poles/wires/fixtures of all kinds and descriptions/pipelines etc.)		$
	B Other Utilities (Total of Section B From Utility Summary)		$
4	**MATURE WOOD AND TIMBER** (RSA 79:5)		$
5	**VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS** (Total of Lines 1G, 2E, 3A, 3B and 4) This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality.		$
6	**Certain Disabled Veterans** RSA 72:38-a (Paraplegic and Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with VA Assistance) Total # granted		$
7	**Improvements to Assist the Deaf** RSA 72:38-b Total # granted		$
8	**Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities** RSA 72:37-a Total # granted		$
9	**School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption** RSA 72:23 IV (Standard Exemption up to $150,000 for each) (See page 15) Total # granted		$
10	**Water/Air Pollution Control Exemptions** RSA 72:12-a Total # granted		$
11	**MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES** (Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10) This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value for your municipality.		$
12	**Blind Exemption** RSA 72:37 Total # granted / Amount granted per exemption	$	$
13	**Elderly Exemption** RSA 72:39-a & b Total # granted		$
14	**Deaf Exemption** RSA 72:38-b Total # granted / Amount granted per exemption	$	$
15	**Disabled Exemption** RSA 72:37-b Total # granted / Amount granted per exemption	$	$

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16 **Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption** RSA 72:70	Total # granted		$
17 **Solar Energy Exemption** RSA 72:62	Total # granted		$
18 **Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption** RSA 72:66	Total # granted		$
19 **Additional School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption** RSA 72:23 IV (Amounts in excess of $150,000 exemption)	Total # granted		$
20 **TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS** (Sum of Lines 12-19)			$
21 **NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR VILLAGE DISTRICT IS COMPUTED** (Line 11 minus Line 20)			$

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DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
Municipal Services Division
2008 Tax Rate Calculation

TOWN/CITY: STRAFFORD

Gross Appropriations	2,674,018
Less: Revenues	1,732,709
Less: Shared Revenues	12,195
Add: Overlay	28,144
War Service Credits	41,400

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Net Town Appropriation		998,658
Special Adjustment		0
Approved Town/City Tax Effort	998,658	**TOWN RATE 2.02**

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp. - Revenue)		9,489,814
Regional School Apportionment		0
Less: Adequate Education Grant		(2,271,177)
State Education Taxes		(1,083,422)
Approved School(s) Tax Effort	6,135,215	**LOCAL SCHOOL RATE 12.44**

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

Equalized Valuation(no utilities) x	$2.14	
506,272,069	1,083,422	**STATE SCHOOL RATE 2.21**
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)		
490,603,100		
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State		
Pay to State →	0	

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County		1,095,673
Less: Shared Revenues		(5,167)
Approved County Tax Effort	1,090,506	**COUNTY RATE 2.21**
		TOTAL RATE 18.88
Total Property Taxes Assessed	9,307,801	
Less: War Service Credits	(41,400)	
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	0	
Total Property Tax Commitment	**9,266,401**	

PROOF OF RATE

Net Assessed Valuation		Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	490,603,100	2.21	1,083,422
All Other Taxes	493,315,400	16.67	8,224,379
			9,307,801

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TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

JoAnn Brown	$ 623.10
R. Stephen Leighton	2,700.00
Lynn Sweet	2,700.00
Stephanie Gray	2,077.00
Laurie Bibeau	5,500.04
Diane Waldron	2,999.88
Judith Dupré	19,341.62
Michelle T. Benger	175.00
William G. Lord	75.00

TOWN OFFICE EXPENSES

Town Clerk's Fees		$ 28,280.00
Auto Permits	9,207.00	
Vital Statistics	435.00	
Municipal Agent Fees	14,405.00	
M/V Title	1,928.00	
Marriage License	154.00	
UCC/IRS Filings	1,015.00	
Wetland Perm/Pole License	60.00	
Animal Control Fees	1,076.00	
Administrator		55,850.82
Deputy Tax Collector		2,790.00
Deputy Town Clerk		3,962.00
Clerical		6,684.50
Office Supplies		2,704.90
Postage		4,781.13
Printing		2,809.46
Conferences/Training		608.00
References Materials		398.80
Deed Research/Tax Lien		450.00
Recording Fees		460.83
Building Maintenance		2,145.69

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT - 2008

It has been a pleasure to be your Town Clerk this year, and to see you as you come in to register your vehicles, license your dogs and take care of other Town business.

On December 1, 2008 we moved into out new office location on Mountain View Dr. See below for the details of our new location:

NEW Town Clerk's office hours: (starting Dec. 1, 2008):

Monday – 8:30 – 2:00	Wednesday – 8:30 – 2:00
Tuesday – 1:00 – 7:00	Thursday – 8:30 – 2:00

NEW Town Office location (starting Dec. 1, 2008):

12 Mountain View Dr.
(behind the Strafford Post Office on Parker Mountain Rd.)

Town Clerk's mailing address (no change):

P.O. Box 169
Strafford, NH 03884

The Town Clerk's office offers the following services:

Vehicle Registrations - Dog Licenses - Vital Records - Voter Registration – Marriage Licenses – Election Coordination - Dump Stickers

The Town Offices will be closed on the following days in 2009:

January 1	(New Year's Holiday)	September 7	(Labor Day)
January 19	(Martin Luther King Jr. Day)	October 12	(Columbus Day)
February 16	(President's Day)	November 11	(Veterans Day)
March 10	(Town Election Day)	November 26	(Thanksgiving Day)
May 25	(Memorial Day)	December 24	(Christmas Eve Day)

- On all Election Days, the polls open at 8:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M.
- Town Meeting will be held on Saturday, March 14, 2009 at 8:30 A.M.

Check the Strafford Community Calendar's "Notes From The Town Clerk" each month, for news and reminders from the Town Clerk's Office. The community Calendar is on-line at www.straffordcommunitycalendar.com

You can also find Town Clerk information on the Town of Strafford's Website at www.strafford.nh.gov

If you have questions throughout the year, please don't hesitate to call us at (603)664-2192 Ext. 102. We are always happy to answer your questions and help in any way we can.

Respectfully Submitted,
Diane Waldron
Strafford Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR 2008

It has been my pleasure to serve as your Tax Collector for the past eleven years. As Tax Collector, I am responsible for collecting revenue from; Property Taxes, Yield Taxes, Current Use Change Taxes, and executing liens. I must also record all money that comes through my office, as well as respond to inquiries from homeowners, mortgage companies, attorney's offices and the general public. My goal is to keep records current and accurate in a courteous, timely manner. All of which is becoming more time consuming as our town continues to grow.

Check out the question and answers section on tax related questions on the new Town Web-site.

In 2003 the Department of Revenue Administration started a "Low and Moderate Income Homeowners Property Tax Relief" program. Forms (DP-8) may be picked up at my office or downloaded from www.revenue.nh.gov after April 1st. These must be postmarked no sooner than May 1 and no later than June 30. Be sure to check with my office during that time period.

Forms for "The Soldiers' & Sailors' Civil Relief Act" are also available if anyone is in need of them. If the taxpayer received activation orders which stipulate Title 10, pick up the forms at my office to see if you are eligible for this Civil Relief Act.

Strafford's School Budget for 2008 is $9,489,814.00 (Gross Approp.-Revenue). The State has calculated that the cost of an Adequate Education in Strafford is $2,271,177.00. The State Property Tax will raise $1,083,422.00. We will receive an Adequate Education Grant for $2,271,177.00. This leaves $6,135,215.00 to be raised by our Local School Tax. That sets the 2008 school tax rate at $12.44 per $1,000 of assessed valuation.

Strafford's Gross Appropriations are $2,674,018.00, less Revenues of $1,732,709.00, less Shared Revenues of $12,195.00, add Overlay of $28,144.00, and War Service Credits of $41,400.00, making a Net Appropriation of $998.658.00.

The total Property Tax Warrants this year were $9,266,193.00. There was no Current Use Change Tax Warrants for the year. There was no money turned over to the Conservation Commission of Strafford. The total Timber or Yield Tax Warrants were $9,685.70

Strafford's 2008 Town Tax rate is $2.02, and County Tax is $2.21, School Tax is $12.44, State School Portion is $2.21. Our Total Tax Rate for the year 2008 is $18.88.

Our 2008 lien was $221,999.41. This is a $21,693.74 increase from last year.

Deputy Martha English has been a tremendous asset to this office. Many thanks for all you do, Martha.

If you have not done so please come in and ask for a tour of the new building. Come in and see what you paid for.

Respectfully submitted,
Judith Dupre'
Tax Collector

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DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES BEG. OF YEAR*		Levy for Year of this report 2008	2007	(Please Specify Ye 2006	PRIOR LEVIES Prior Years
Property Tax	#3110	XXXXXXXXX	$618,957.22	$33,872.85	$9,471.92
Resident Taxes	#3180	XXXXXXXXX	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Land Use Change	#3120	XXXXXXXXX	$8,030.00	$0.00	$0.00
Yield Taxes	#3185	XXXXXXXXX	$10,892.51	$0.00	$0.00
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd	#3187	XXXXXXXXX	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Utilities Charges	#3189	XXXXXXXXX	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00

TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR				FOR DRA USE ONLY	
Property Taxes	#3110	$9,266,093.00	$0.00		
Resident Taxes	#3180	$0.00	$0.00		
Land use Change	#3120	$0.00	$0.00		
Yield Taxes	#3185	$9,685.70	$0.00		
Excavation tax @ $.02/yd	#3187	$0.00	$0.00		
Cost	#3189	$2,753.25	$0.00		

OVERPAYMENT REFUNDS					
Property Taxes	#3110	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Resident Taxes	#3180	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Land Use Charge	#3120	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Yield Taxes	#3185	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd	#3187	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Utility Charge	#3189	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Interest-Late Tax	#3190	$7,138.21	$33,127.99	$12,518.92	$2,570.65
Cost Before Lien	#3190	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL DEBITS		$9,285,670.16	$671,007.72	$46,391.77	$12,042.57

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REMITTED TO TREASURER	Levy for Year			PRIOR LEVIES
			(Please Specify Year:	
	2008	2007	2006	Prior Years
Property Tax	$8,551,009.82	$432,498.89	$23,352.29	$6,738.81
Resident Taxes	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Land Use Change	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Yield Taxes	$6,575.70	$602.51	$0.00	$0.00
Interest (include lien conversion)	$7,138.21	$17,823.10	$12,443.92	$2,645.65
Penalties	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0 00
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd	$0.00	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00
Cost	$25.00	$803.37	$0.00	$0.00
Conversion to Lien (principal only)	$2,728.25	$219,271.16	$0.00	$0.00
DISCOUNTS ALLOWED				
ABATEMENTS MADE				
Property Taxes	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Resident Taxes	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Land use Change	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Yield Taxes	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Excavation tax @ $.02/yd	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Utilitiy Charges	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED				
UNCOLLECTED TAXES		END OF YEAR #1080		
Property Taxes	$715,083.18	$8.69	$10,595.56	$2,658.11
Resident Taxes	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Land Use Charge	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Yield Taxes	$3,110.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Utility Charge	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL CREDITS	$9,285,670.16	$671,007.72	$46,391.77	$12,042.57

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DEBITS

	Last Year's Levy			PRIOR LEVIES (Please Specify Years)
	2007	2006	2005	Prior Years
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beg. Of Fiscal Yr.	$0.00	$124,150.79	$33,872.85	$9,171.92
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	$221,999.41	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Interest & Cost Collected (AFTER LIEN EXECUTION)	$6,966.20	$11,876.06	$12,518.99	$2,870.65
TOTAL DEBITS	$228,965.61	$136,026.85	$46,391.84	$12,042.57

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER		Last Year's Levy			PRIOR LEVIES (Please Specify Years)
		2007	2006	2005	Prior Years
Redemptions		$93,115.51	$44,804.33	$23,352.29	$6,738.81
Interest & Cost Collected	#3190	$6,091.20	$11,406.31	$12,443.99	$2,645.65
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes		$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Liens Deeded to Municipality		$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Unredeemed Liens Balance	#1110	$129,758.90	$79,816.21	$10,595.56	$2,658.01
TOTAL CREDITS		$228,965.61	$136,026.85	$46,391.84	$12,042.47

Does your munincipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a)? Yes

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE DATE

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TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT
For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2008

RECEIPTS		
Balance January 1, 2008	$ 3,622,977.03	
Receipts	$ 10,885,358.12	
Total Receipts		$ 14,508,335.15
EXPENDITURES		
Expenditures 2008	$ 11,197,946.08	
Balance Check Book, Dec. 31, 2008	$ 1,005,988.12	
Balance Investment Account	$ 2,304,400.95	
Total Expenditures		$14,508,335.15

N.H. Deposit Investment Pool ..... $ 2,304,400.95

Strafford Conservation Commission Easement Fund	
Acct# NH 01-0562-0001 Balance January 1, 2008	$ 318,262.31
Deposited 2008	$ 5,411.41
February 7, 2208-Reimb. Gen. Fund for Current Use Lien	$ 26,970.00
July 23, 2008-Purchased Land on Pig Lane & Range Rd.	$ 50,000.00
July 23, 2008-Purchased Land on Pig Lane	$ 1,000.00
August 20, 2008-Bear Paw Reg. Greenways-Easement Trans. Costs	$ 31,229.83
Interest Earned 2008	$ 6,689.75
Total Balance	$ 221,163.64
Town of Strafford Ambulance Acct. #NH 01-0030-0003	
Balance January 1, 2008	$ 59,729.75
April 4, 2008 – Reimb. Gen. Fund for wrong payment from Comstar	$ 182.61
December 31, 2008 – Transferred to Ambulance Revolving Fund	$ 11,148.36
Deposit for 2008	$ 32,271.60
Interest Earned for 2008	$ 1,754.43
Total Balance	$ 82,424.81
Strafford Ambulance Revolving Fund Acct.#NH-01-0030-0009	
December 31, 2008 –Transferred from Ambulance Fund	$ 11,148.36
Total Balance	$ 11,148.36

Conservation Commission Acct. #NH 01-0030-0004

Balance January 1, 2008	$	2,682.20
January 31, 2008-Year End Transfer-Unexpended Budget Balance	$	32.00
February 7, 2008-Withdrew-Bear Paw Regional Greenways	$	200.00
November 10, 2008-Withdrew-C&K Printing-Signs for Town Forest	$	130.36
November 25, 2008-Cal Schroeder & Carolyn Page	$	87.35
December 31, 2008-George Kitz-Mowing Town Forest	$	150.00
December 31, 2008-Cocheco Watershed Coalition	$	25.00
December 31, 2008-Friends of Suncook River	$	50.00
December 31, 2008-Bear Paw Regional Greenways	$	200.00
Interest Earned 2008	$	62.41
Total Balance	$	1,933.90

ASSESSING DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL REPORT

In 2008, approximately 500 properties were visited and photos were taken as part of an ongoing database maintenance program.

The assessments in Strafford remained very close to "Market Value" in 2008.

Data verification of all properties will continue this year. We expect to visit another 500 properties in the southwest and northwest sections of town in 2009, in addition to those changes that occurred since 4/1/2008 or had ongoing projects as of that date. The reason for this is to keep the assessing database as up to date and accurate as possible to ensure the utmost equity among the taxpayers.

If no one is at home we will take the opportunity to verify the exterior measurements of all primary improvements (buildings, etc.). If an adult is home at the time of the visit, the representative from the Assessor's Office will ask to verify the interior information via tour provided by the adult. At no time will a representative enter a property where a minor is the only person at home.

In the event a property is posted "No Trespassing", the representative will knock on the door to seek permission to verify the physical data. In the event no one is home, there will be no attempt to verify the exterior data. The Assessing Official will make another attempt at a later date. If the property is "Posted" and gated, the Assessor's Office will not enter the premises. However, there will be a letter sent requesting an appointment to verify the physical data. If the property owner doesn't respond to the request, it will be considered a refusal and treated as such resulting in an estimate of data.

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I would like to thank you for your continued cooperation.

Sincerely,

Todd Haywood, CNHA
Strafford Assessing Agent

February 18, 2009

To Whom It May Concern:

Please note that the Town's financial audit for the year ending December 31, 2008 is in process, therefore there is no Auditor's Report available at this time.

Upon completion of the audit, the information will be available at the Town Office.

TOWN OF STRAFFORD
Board of Selectmen

R. Stephen Leighton, Chairman

Lynn Sweet, Selectman

Stephanie Gray, Selectman

TOWN OF STRAFFORD
TOWN MEETING MINUTES – MARCH 22, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday March 11, 2008 at the Strafford Elementary School in the Town of Strafford, by Moderator Pro-tem Diane Waldron to act on Article 1 of the 2008 Town Warrant by ballot vote.

The ballots were cast and the meeting recessed at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of tallying the votes.

The 188th Strafford Town Meeting was called to order at 8:30 am on Saturday, March 22, 2008, at the Strafford Elementary School by Moderator William Lord, to act on Articles 2 through 20.

The Boy Scouts conducted a short presentation and we said the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Moderator announced the results of the March 11, 2008 Town Meeting as follows:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Voters on the checklist 3,011
Votes cast 631
Selectman – Three Years
Stephanie Gray.....182
Library Trustee – Three Years
Nancy F. Baxter.....559
Trustee of the Trust Fund
Michelle Benger.....551
Moderator
William G. Lord... 555
Supervisor of the Checklist
Marilyn Roderick.....572
Road Agent
Greg Messenger.....584

Moderator Lord welcomed all to the meeting and explained the rules of the meeting.
Moderator Lord introduced the Selectmen and Town Clerk at the head table.

2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $450,000. for the construction of a new Municipal Offices Building on existing Town land and authorize the withdrawal of $350,000. from the capital reserve fund created for that purpose, with the balance of $100,000. to come from general taxation. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Estimated tax impact $ .20)

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.
Selectman Steve Leighton and Tony Fallon addressed and presented the article.

Jim Forsythe made a motion to amend the article to read:
"To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $480,000 for the construction of

a new Municipal Offices Building on existing town land and authorize the withdrawal of $350,000 from the capital reserve fund created for that purpose with the balance of $130,000 to come from general taxation. The site work to be done by the lowest original bidder."

Moderator Lord read the amendment. Motion made and seconded.
After discussion a motion was made to move the amendment. Vote taken and carried.
Moderator Lord re-read the amendment. Vote taken on the amendment and carried.

After brief discussion William Vance made a motion to amend the article and was seconded. "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $524,000 for the construction of a new Municipal Offices Building on existing Town land and authorize the withdrawal of $350,000 from the capital reserve fund created for that purpose, with the balance of $174,000. to come from general taxation."

Tony Fallon addressed the amendment. This amendment increases the article $44,000. and is intended to cover the additional costs for geo-thermal heat and additional insulation.

Motion made to move the amendment and seconded. Vote taken on the amendment.
The Moderator asked for vote counters.

YES - 104 NO – 61

The amendment carried.

Moderator Lord re-read the article as amended. Vote taken on the article as amended and carried.

3. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell the existing Town Office building to the Strafford School District for the sum of $1.00 (one dollar). This article is contingent upon Article 2 passing. The Selectmen recommend this article.

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.
No discussion. Vote taken and carried.

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $231,000. for capital improvements to the following roads including drainage, gravel and paving:

a. Second Crown Point Road from the intersection of the Cross Road (North) approximately 1.1 mile to the end of existing pavement.

b. Province Road (West) from the end of 2007 paving (French Meadow) approximately .8 mile to the intersection of the Webber Road.

c. Sunny Oak Terrace from the intersection of Whig Hill Road approximately .9 mile to the intersection of Ledgewood Drive.

d. Hickory Way in its entirety approximately .15 of a mile.

The Selectmen recommend this article. (Estimated tax impact $ .47)

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.

Selectman Steve Leighton made a motion to amend the article and seconded. Steve Leighton addressed the amendment. The article is being amended to reduce the capital improvements to roads by $60,000., which will offset the anticipated increase to article #15, for increased road

rate.

"To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $171,000 for capital improvements to the following roads including drainage, gravel and paving:

a. Second Crown Point Road from the intersection of the Cross Road (North) approximately 1.1 mile to the end of existing pavement.

c. Sunny Oaks Terrace from the intersection of Whig Hill Road approximately .9 mile to the intersection of Ledgewood Drive.

d. Hickory Way in its entirety approximately .15 of a mile."

Moderator Lord read the article as amended. Vote taken and carried.
No discussion on article 4 as amended. Moderator Lord re-read the article as amended.
Vote taken and carried.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $7,000. to be placed in the non-capital reserve fund created in 2004 for the purpose of funding any future bridge repairs/construction. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Estimated tax impact $ .01)

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.
Selectman Steve Leighton addressed the article.
No discussion. The Moderator re-read the article. Vote taken and carried.

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $433,430. for the operation and maintenance of the Police Department. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Net estimated tax impact after grant and revenues $ .86)

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.
Chief of Police Scott Young addressed the article.

Susan Morgan made a motion to amend the article and was seconded.

The selectman addressed the amendment. After brief discussion the amendment was clarified. "That the medical and dental benefits offered be commensurate with those received by school employees who contribute premium and service co-payments."

Motion on the clarified amendment made and seconded.
The moderator re-read the amendment.
Town Administrator Ellen White and the Selectmen addressed the amendment. After brief discussion the Moderator re-read the amendment. Vote taken on the amendment and failed.

Moderator Lord re-read the article as originally written. Vote taken on the original article and carried.

7. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to RSA 35:1 for the future purchase of police vehicles and associated equipment and to raise and appropriate the sum of $20,000. to be placed in this fund. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Estimated tax impact $ .04)

Moderator Lord read the article. Scott Young addressed the article.

Gerry Waldron proposed an amendment that any new police vehicles be "hybrid" vehicles.
Scott Young addressed the proposed amendment. After discussion no further action was taken.

After continued brief discussion Moderator Lord re-read the article as originally written.
Vote taken and carried.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $209,740. for the operation and maintenance of the Strafford Fire Department and Rescue Squad. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Estimated tax impact $ .43)

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.
No discussion. Moderator Lord re-read the article. Vote taken and carried.

9. To see if the Town will vote to re-allocate the distribution of revenues received for ambulance services, so that only 50% goes to the special revenue fund known as the Rescue Vehicle and Equipment Fund, with the remaining 50% to be placed in the revolving fund to be created for the purpose of ambulance services by Article 10. The Selectmen recommend this article.

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.
After brief discussion the Moderator re-read the article. Vote taken and carried.

10. To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of ambulance services. 50% of all revenues received for ambulance services will be deposited into the fund, and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the Town's general fund unreserved fund balance. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all moneys in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the governing body and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created. This article is contingent on Article 9 passing. Selectmen recommend this article.

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.
Selectman Steve Leighton addressed the article.
After brief discussion Moderator Lord re-read the article. Vote taken and carried.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $80,000. to be used for the second year's payment on the five year lease agreement for the purpose of leasing to own a new pumper/tanker as voted by Article 15, at the 2007 Town Meeting. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Estimated tax impact $ .16)

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.
After brief discussion the Moderator re-read the article. Vote taken and carried.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $4,700. for the purchase of forest fire fighting equipment and personal protective gear. $2,000. to come from a shared grant from the State of New Hampshire, with the remainder of $2,700. to come from general taxation. This article is contingent upon receipt of the State portion of the grant. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Estimated tax impact $ .006)

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.
Fire Chief Loren Pierce addressed the article.
No discussion. Moderator Lord re-read the article. Vote taken and carried.

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $44,190. for the purchase of fire fighting equipment. $41,981. to come from a Federal Fire Act grant, with the remainder of $2,209. to come from general taxation. This article is contingent upon the receipt of the grant.

The Selectmen recommend this article. (Estimated tax impact $ .005)

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.
Fire Chief Loren Pierce addressed the article.
No discussion. Moderator Lord re-read the article. Vote taken and failed.

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $20,000. to be placed in the capital reserve fund established by Article 8 in 2007 pursuant to RSA 35:1, for the purpose of repairs and/or replacement of the Town owned dock located on Water Street. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Estimated tax impact $ .04)

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.
Selectman Steve Leighton addressed the article.
After lengthy discussion Moderator Lord re-read the question. Vote taken and carried.

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,144,148. for general Town operations.

Executive	$ 64,075.
Election & Registration	22,188.
Financial Administration	67,062.
Appraisal of Property & Tax Maps	36,500.
Legal Expenses	20,000.
Employee Benefits, FICA, Medi & Unemp. Comp	33,145.
Planning and Zoning	8,500.
General Government Building	16,969.
Auto Permits/Town Clerk Fees	26,750.
Insurance	36,700.
Advertising and Regional Association	3,082.
Strafford Regional Planning Comm. Dues	4,525.
Contingency Fund	15,000.
Annual CPA Audit	10,890.
Ambulance	5,000.
Emergency Management	1,500.
Building Inspection	20,000.
General Highway Expenses and Town Maintenance	297,500.
Street Lighting	3,863.
Solid Waste Disposal	233,700.
Animal Control	4,200.
Health Inspector	400.
Rochester Rural Visiting Nurse & Hospice	5,037.
General Assistance and Welfare	28,000.
Community Action	1,500.
Sexual Assault Support Services	992.
My Friend's Place	200.
The Homemakers of Strafford County	1,212.
CHANCES	2,500.
Parks and Recreation	17,500.
Library	61,709.
Patriotic Purposes and Fire Works	4,500.
Conservation Commission	750.
Interest Expense & Tax Anticipation Notes	2,000.
Debt Service (Landfill Closure – Final Payment)	74,699.
Transfer Station/Recycling Center Monitoring	12,000.
TOTAL	$ 1,144,148.

[The intent of this article is to raise the sum of $1,144,148. exclusive of all other Articles addressed.] The Selectmen recommend this article.
(Estimated tax impact after local revenues $ .59)

(All estimated tax impact figures applied to money articles do not reflect further adjustments for shared revenues from State of NH, surplus and war service credits; total adjustments are estimated to reduce the total tax rate impact by an additional $ .91)

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.
Selectman Steve Leighton made a motion to amend the article and was seconded.
"To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,204,148. for general Town operations.

The intent is to increase the line for General Highway Expenses and Town Maintenance by $60,000. from 297,500. to $357,500. No other line item changes are proposed.

(The intent of this article is to raise the sum of $1,204,148. exclusive of all other articles addressed.) The Selectmen recommend this article. (Estimated Tax impact after local revenues $.71)."

After brief discussion Moderator Lord re-read the amendment. Vote taken to amend and carried.

After brief discussion on the amended article Moderator Lord re-read the article as amended. Vote taken and carried.

16. To hear the report on Article 23 voted at the 2007 Town Meeting on the feasibility of implementing a "pay as you throw" program at the Transfer Station/Recycling Center.

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.
Steve Leighton addressed the article.

After brief discussion Dennis Vachon made a motion to amend the article and was seconded.
"To see if the Town is in favor of implementing a "pay as you throw" program at the Transfer

Station/Recycling Center. If approved, the selectmen will return with a report to the 2009 Town Meeting on the feasibility and costs associated with this process and an article requesting authorization and funding if appropriate."

Moderator Lord read the amendment. Vote taken to amend and carried.
No discussion. Moderator Lord re-read the amended article. Vote taken and carried.

17. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the use of Snackerty Road (a.k.a. Church Road) as a public way pursuant to RSA 231:43.

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.
Selectman Steve Leighton made a motion to table the article.
After brief discussion the motion to table was seconded. Vote taken to table and carried.

18. "To see if the Town will vote to re-allocate the land use change tax distribution so that only 50% goes to the conservation fund and the remaining 50% is returned to the general fund." (by petition.)

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.
Judy Whitcher, Harmony Anderson and Phil Auger addressed the article.
After lengthy discussion a petition for secret ballot was presented. Moderator Lord read the 5 names on the petition to confirm the presence of the individuals. Moderator Lord opened the poles giving all at the meeting time to vote. The results of the ballot vote:

YES 42 NO 106

Article 18 failed.

19. To see if the Town will vote to form a committee to study the need to re-open the following Class VI roads for fire and safety purposes; Old Whig Hill Road, Scribner/Cross Road and Barn Door Gap Road. This committee to be comprised of one Selectman, one Planning Board member, one Conservation Commission member, one representative from the Police Department, one representative from the Fire and Rescue Department, and one representative each, from the Crown Point, Center Strafford, Bow Lake and Barn Door Gap sections of Town.

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.
Selectman Steve Leighton addressed the article.

Vera Boals made a motion to amend the article and was seconded.
"To see if the Town will vote to form a committee to study the needs to re-open the following Class VI roads for fire and safety purposes: Webber Road, Old Whig Hill Road, Scribner/Cross Road, and Barn Door Gap Road."

After brief discussion the Moderator read the amendment. Vera Boals addressed the amendment. The Moderator re-read the amendment. Vote taken to amend and carried.

Bruce Patrick then made a motion to amend the article and was seconded.
"That Huckins Road and Old Ridge Road be added to Warrant Article #19."

After brief discussion the Moderator read the amendment. Vote taken on the amendment and carried.

After lengthy discussion the Moderator re-read the amended article. Vote taken on the article as amended and failed.

20. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Steven Leighton recognized departing Selectman JoAnn Brown for her many years of service to the Town.

Moderator Lord made a motion to adjourn the meeting and seconded at 12:35 pm.

Given under my hand and seal, this 22nd day of March, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Eight.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Waldron

STRAFFORD RECYCLING CENTER & TRANSFER STATION
ANNUAL REPORT

Our recycling center and transfer station is working very well. People have been wonderful and cooperative. We have a dedicated group of workers that are taking care of the facility for us, and we could not have made the progress that we have made without their help. Again this year the total tonnage of waste has declined, while our recycling volumes continue to increase. 2008 also marked the final year of payments on the revolving loan we received for the landfill closure project. We will continue to fund hydrogeological monitoring of the transfer station area, as required, in order to test for any evidence of problems.

Our most important message to the Town as we enter 2009 is "Don't give up on recycling!" Every ounce of waste that is processed through our various recycling bins, saves the Town money. Hauling fees for recycled materials are always less than the costs associated with tipping fees for the trash compactor. Though you may have heard that the prices for recycled materials are down from the highs of the past year or two, recycling still generates revenue. We ask that people continue to work with the transfer station attendants, and always ask before you throw. For example, we have recently received less than optimal prices for our aluminum cans because other aluminum materials (foil, pans, etc.) mixed with the cans must be removed and therefore reduces the value of our load. From now on, cans only please! If we all work together, we can make the most of our recycling program, even in these challenging times.

As we reflect back on the year, we want to thank our people at the Transfer Center, and we want to thank you, the public, for your cooperation and patience. Remember that we are open three days per week—Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday. We urge townspeople to take advantage of our Wednesday evening hours, when there may be less traffic at the facility than during the weekend hours. It is also very important that everyone follow the rules for proper distribution of articles at the facility, as our reduced costs depend on it.

If you run a business, please make arrangements for commercial trash disposal. The Transfer Center is for residential trash disposal only. If you have any questions, the attendants will be glad to help.

ANNUAL SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING ACTIVITY (Waste Management)

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Total Tonnage Recycling	247.37	267.14	261.83	257.59	294.94	303.82	353.78
Total Tonnage Demolition Debris	281.32	464.05	519.88	525.21	462.94	357.52	361.14
Total Tonnage Municipal Solid Waste	1013.44	983.01	1096.37	1119.99	1081.32	973.92	972.17

REVENUES RECEIVED 2008

Tires (Customer Fees)	$ 1,181.00
Metal Disposal (Customer Fees)	$ 2,115.00
Mattresses/Furniture (Customer Fees)	$ 2,265.00
Small Electronics/Monitors, etc. (Customer Fees)	$ 2,776.00
Revenues from Recycling/Scrap Metal	$ 11,345.22
Revenues from Recycling/Aluminum	$ 12,040.24
Revenues from Recycling/Cardboard	$ 3,452.91
TOTAL	**$ 35,175.37**

A Recycling "Co-operative":
Working Together to Make Recycling Strong!!!

Northeast Resource Recovery Association, 2101 Dover Road, Epsom, NH 03234
Telephone: (603) 736-4401 Fax: (603) 736-4402
E-mail: info@nrra.net Web Site: www.nrra.net

Town of Strafford

Congratulations for being such active recyclers!

Below please find information on the positive impact this recycling has had on your environment.

The recyclable materials listed below were sent to market to be remanufactured into new products through your non-profit recycling cooperative, the Northeast Resource Recovery Association.

Recyclable Material	**Amount Recycled In 2008**	**Environmental Impact!** Here is only one benefit of using this recycled material rather than natural resources (raw materials) to manufacture new products.
Aluminum Cans	25,515 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to run a television for 2,596,406 hours!
Scrap Metal	77 tons	Conserved 76,752 pounds of coal!

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

It has been an eventful year. The year 2008 began and ended with a lot of snow storms. Then on August 15th, the State of New Hampshire closed the Bow Lake Northwood Road bridge. With help from the state and H. E. B. Engineers, work began and we were able to have the bridge opened within eight weeks. We want to thank anyone who helped in any way at this time. We realize it was hard for residents in that area, but the repairs were a safety necessity.

Paving was completed on three sections of road: Hickory way, Sunny Oaks Terrace, and Second Crown Point Road. Also ditch work, grading and gravel, patching, and brush cutting was completed in most areas.

Everyone will remember the December of '08 snow and ice storm, with trees down and power outages all over Town. Thank you for your patience.

Respectfully,
Greg Messenger
Road Agent

ROAD MAINTENANCE AND GENERAL HIGHWAY EXPENSES -- 2008

Arborcare Tree Service	$ 5,480.00
Scott Barry Trucking	$ 2,537.50
Benjamin A. Bickford	$ 435.00
Robert McMaster	$ 250.00
Parker Mountain Excavating, LLC	$ 302.50
R.W. Tasker & Son	$ 30,163.00
Ralph Twombly	$ 2,600.00
Jim Webber Trucking	$ 1,140.00
Radford Messenger, Inc.	$ 196,178.82
Sub Total	$ 249,086.82

GENERAL HIGHWAY EXPENSES

Equipment/Maintenance	$ 5,435.82
Gravel	$ 6,406.66
Sand	$ 14,131.53
Salt	$ 48,284.53
Cold Patch	$ 1,208.61
Paving Asphalt	$ 25,237.70
Culverts	$ 6,736.01
Street Signs/Posts	$ 782.98
Supplie & Misc.	$ 604.38
Sub Total	$ 108,828.22

TOTAL EXPENDITURES.....$ 357,915.04

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING REGULATONS

87R4. WINTER PARKING--Pursuant to RSA 265: 70, the following parking regulation will be established:

a. There will be no parking on all town roads so as to impede snow removal.

Any violations of the above will be subject to a fine of $ 5.00 per violation and subject to towing, pursuant to RSA 265: 69 and RSA 265: 70.

87R5. SNOW OBSTRUCTION--Pursuant to RSA 249: 23, the following snow obstruction regulations will be established:

a. Any person who shall put or place or cause to be put or placed any snow or ice upon the surface of the traveled portion of any town maintained road for any purpose, except to provide a place necessary for crossing, recrossing, and traveling upon said roads by sleds, logging or farm equipment shall be guilty of a violation if a natural person or guilty of a misdemeanor if any other person. The provisions of this section shall not apply where snow or ice is pushed across the traveled surface of said road for the purpose of snow removal from land adjoining said roads.

Any violation of the above will be subjected to a fine up to $ 100.00, pursuant to RSA 249: 23.

EMERGENCY MANANGEMENT
ANNUAL REPORT

After the Mother's Day Flood in 2007 and the Ice Storm of 2008, we learned that there were some deficiencies in the town's Emergency Management Department. Emergency Management did not have the basic equipment to deal with road closures other than what the Road Agent was able to supply. From the 2008 budget, I was able to purchase a few road signs and barricades.

In 2009, I look to improve our emergency response through the addition of some basic equipment. First, I have designated the Police Department as the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). From the EOC, the Fire Chief, ranking Police official, Emergency Management Director and the Road Agent along with a Town official such as a member of the Board of Selectmen will have a base of operations. During the ice storm, we were without power or phones for several days. I am requesting a 10,000-watt generator that will power the building in such emergencies and provide a small shelter for those who need it.

I am also asking for a small, enclosed trailer that will be used as a multi-purpose vehicle to store our equipment and be used as a mobile command center. The equipment and trailer will be available for use by the emergency management department, the fire department and the police department, in times of an emergency.

During the ice storm we also learned that we could not depend on the American Red Cross to supply us with the basic essentials we needed to open our emergency shelter, as they were overtaxed by the larger communities. I have recommended to the Board of Selectmen that we purchase a few basic supplies for a shelter, i.e. cots, blankets and MRE's.

While I understand that the Board of Selectmen was looking toward level funding for 2009, it was obvious to emergency services that we lacked the basic equipment to adequately serve the residents of Strafford. We look forward to your support of these initiatives.

Respectfully,

Scott Young

Emergency Management Director

STRAFFORD FIRE AND RESCUE
ANNUAL REPORT

2008 was a year full of changes for the Strafford Fire Department. I took over as Chief on September 1st when Loren Pierce stepped down after 10 years as Chief and numerous years of service. Loren still remains an active member of the department. In addition, Glenn Pierce resigned from being the Forest Fire Warden in January and as Captain of the Center Station at the end of the year. Glenn remains on the department as well. The department and I thank both of them for their many years of service in those positions.

The past year was one of our busiest with 280 calls for service. This was helped along by the summer tornado that seriously damaged neighboring towns and was followed by the December ice storm that caused damage all over Strafford. With the help of the ice storm, December, 2008, was our busiest month ever, with 59 calls, even with the Mother's Day flooding in 2006 and the April flooding in 2007.

I would like to thank the townspeople and businesses for their support this past year. It is always appreciated.

The 2008 Budget was overspent by $1000.00. Even though we cut back on many things in the budget, high fuel and heating prices, along with necessary maintenance on both department vehicles and buildings, took its toll. The ice storm in December pushed the year-end total costs over budgeted allowances and dealt the final blow.

In closing, I would like to thank all department members for all of their hours of work and support this past year. I know we would not have been able to continue on with our mission of "Neighbor Helping Neighbors" without them.

Chief Paul Stover
Strafford Fire and Rescue

STRAFFORD FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT
BUDGET SUMMARY

	2008 Budgeted	2008 Expenditures	2009 Proposed
Administrative Salaries	$3,700.00	$3,176.76	$3,700.00
Call Wages/Fire and Rescue	32,300.00	33,834.23	32,300.00
Call Wages/Ambulance	57,000.00	51,258.98	57,000.00
Supplies	5,750.00	2,945.36	3,500.00
Gas	4,800.00	5,186.58	5,500.00
Miscellaneous	1,000.00	638.84	1,000.00
Training/Reference Materials	11,420.00	3,326.06	10,000.00
Electricity/Heat	7,000.00	10,643.21	9,000.00
Telephone	2,000.00	1,490.93	1,750.00
Equipment/Maintenance	28,384.00	33,496.07	28,941.00
Dues	2,455.00	585.00	750.00
Truck Maintenance	10,000.00	18,686.50	10,000.00
Dispatch	30,411.00	30,372.21	30,749.00
Uniforms/Clothing	3,000.00	2,126.20	3,000.00
Building Maintenance	1,720.00	5,774.10	5,000.00
Periodicals/Books	1,800.00	497.20	550.00
Employer FICA	5,700.00	5,411.99	5,700.00
Employer MEDI	1,300.00	1,265.92	1,300.00
Total	$209,740.00	$210,716.14	$209,740.00

STRAFFORD FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT
WAGE SUMMARY

Administrative Salaries	
Loren Pierce	$ 1,384.56
Paul Stover	1,792.20
Total	3,176.76

Call Wages - Fire

Loren Pierce	$1,301.60
Scott Whitehouse	$672.13
Eugene Burrows	$1,230.00
Jack Lagasse	$155.25
Yergeau, Sr., Paul	$1,220.00
Stover, Paul	$3,056.60
Lobdell, Robert	$1,168.75
Pierce, Glenn	$1,086.25
Hayes, Doug	$825.14
Pierce, Wayne	$396.00
Lobdell, Matt	$2,373.78
Riendeau, William	$466.25
Bickford, Terry R.	$104.00
Palmer, David	$1,009.14
Bickford, Terry A.	$56.25
Chick, Ken	$269.06
Duffy, Dan	$21.94
Hartranft, David	$2,808.27
Carroll, Andy	$2,174.28
Yergeau, Jr., Paul	$1,046.25
Bickford, Ben	$771.75
Scribner, Kelly	$8.75
Ferry, David	$643.50
Drew, Nick	$1,197.00
Ferry, Teresa	$277.83
Leighton, Ashley	$200.00
Gray, Stephanie	$1,186.33
Aucella, Erik	$1,012.00
Manheit, Jesse	$571.50
Rix, Tod	$2,127.75
Cole, Chris	$66.63
Carroll, Jill	$226.00
Lefebvre, Nicole	$446.00
Dustin, Chris	$2,085.25
Iber, Meghan	$312.00
Leighton, Kate	$128.00
Anderson, James	$1,133.00
Total	$33,834.23

Call Wages/Ambulance

Hayes, Doug	$2,127.66
Palmer, David	$6,147.38
Chick, Ken	$10,429.40
Hartranft, David	$2,731.88
Carroll, Andy	$2,608.13
Ferry, Teresa	$6,409.42
Gray, Stephanie	$14,931.85
Dustin, Chris	$5,363.26
Iber, Meghan	$280.00
Leighton, Kate	$200.00
Total	$51,258.98

STRAFFORD FOREST FIRE WARDEN
ANNUAL REPORT

My first year as Warden has come and gone. I would like to thank all members of the Strafford community for their encouragement, suggestions and concerns. I would also like to thank them for their patience. There were a few changes made, including when and where brush fire permits are issued. After doing this for about a year, I feel that it has worked well, and am going to continue to issue permits the same way. At this time, everything else will remain the same (days of the week and times). If you would like to schedule a time to renew your seasonal permit, please feel free to call me at 664-9645.

Sincerely,
Matt Lobdell
Forest Fire Warden
Strafford, NH

STRAFFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL REPORT

The Police Department 2009 budget is level funded from 2008. While we have shifted money around within the line items, the bottom line has not changed. The department will be able to provide the same level service as years past, providing the economy does not get any worse than it is now. My main concern moving into the next year is fuel prices, as last year's budget took a hit when gasoline was $4.00/gallon.

This year I am asking for a new 4-wheel drive vehicle. The current 4X4 is a 1998 Jeep and has a host of problems that will cost thousands to repair. The three Chevy Impala's will each have well over 100 thousand miles by the end of this year, with one out of service as of this writing due to transmission problems. We also have two part time officer positions that were not filled since last year. We hope to get some qualified people to fill those ranks sometime this spring.

It is our privilege to serve the Town of Strafford and its residents. It is our goal to render efficient and professional service to the community. We encourage community participation, so please contact us with any questions or concerns you may have in order that we may better serve you.

Respectfully,

Scott Young
Chief of Police

Police Department Statistics

	2006	2007	2008
Accidents	57	86	70
911 calls	40	60	77
M/V summons	202	87	161
M/V warnings	1013	757	884
Arrests	145	125	111
Mutual/Fire/Med	111	141	172
Incidents	592	643	739
Alarms	45	67	78
Crime Against Prop.	70	74	119
Misc. Calls for Serv.	786	667	1026
TOTALS	**3061**	**2707**	**3437**

Budget of the Strafford Police Department

Purpose of Appropriations	Appropriations 2008	Actual Expenditures 2008	Appropriations 2009
SALARIES			
Chief S. Young	$ 60,803.18	$ 60,134.98	$ 60,803.18
Sergeant M. Richard	$ 50,253.66	$ 49,830.70	$ 50,253.66
Officer R. Young	$ 35,723.89	$ 36,285.84	$ 35,723.89
Officer B.Scott	$ 34,000.00	$ 34,863.19	$ 34,000.00
Secretary/Admin Assistant	$ 17,160.00	$ 16,978.00	$ 17,160.00
Officer E. Gale		$ 1,196.25	
Officer D. Laliberte		$ 4,970.75	
Officer N. Drew		$ 15,295.50	
Officer C.Plummer		$ 1,864.01	
Total Part-time Officers	$ 32,880.00		$ 32,880.00
Subtotal	**$ 230,820.73**	**$ 221,419.22**	**$ 230,820.73**
Overtime			
Sergeant M. Richard		$ 4,487.42	
Officer R. Young		$ 4,761.16	
Officer B.Scott		$ 5,925.48	
Overtime	$ 7,500.00		$ 15,000.00
Subtotal	**$ 7,500.00**	**$ 15,174.06**	**$ 15,000.00**
Grants			
Detail/Grants	$ 8,000.00		$ 4,000.00
Chief of Police S. Young		$ 1,170.00	
Sergeant M. Richard		$ 180.00	
Officer R.Young		$ 540.00	
Officer B.Scott		$ 720.00	
Officer C.Plummer		$ 270.00	
Officer N.Drew		$ 180.00	
Subtotal		**$ 3,060.00**	
Road Details			
Chief Of Police S. Young		$ 2,699.58	
Sergeant M. Richard		$ 956.18	
Officer R. Young		$ 768.48	
Officer B.Scott		$ 2,541.89	
Officer N.Drew		$ 675.00	
Subtotal		**$ 7,641.13**	
Total	**$ 246,320.73**	**$ 227,294.41**	**$ 246,320.73**

BENEFITS			
N.H. Retirement	$ 22,292.00	$ 24,374.40	$ 24,825.00
Insurance	$ 87,373.00	$ 85,874.90	$ 80,435.00
F.I.C.A.	$ 2,039.00	$ 1,642.92	$ 3,104.00
MEDI	$ 3,456.00	$ 3,603.47	$ 3,564.00
Subtotal	**$ 115,160.00**	**$ 115,495.69**	**$ 111,928.00**
OPERATING BUDGET			
Supplies	$ 3,000.00	$ 2,234.41	$ 3,000.00
Building Maintenance	$ 5,000.00	$ 3,569.99	$ 4,900.00
Equipment	$ 8,000.00	$ 5,017.91	$ 8,000.00
Prosecution Service	$ 7,000.00	$ 7,000.00	$ 7,000.00
Dispatch	$ 11,250.00	$ 11,250.00	$ 11,250.00
Cruiser Maintenance	$ 6,000.00	$ 7,759.44	$ 6,000.00
Training	$ 1,200.00	$ 642.77	$ 1,200.00
Heat/Electricity	$ 6,000.00	$ 4,880.68	$ 6,000.00
Uniforms	$ 2,000.00	$ 1,581.67	$ 2,000.00
Gasoline	$ 11,500.00	$ 15,802.00	$ 11,500.00
Telephone	$ 6,000.00	$ 4,939.04	$ 6,000.00
Computer User Fees	$ 5,000.00	$ 4,762.00	$ 5,000.00
Miscellaneous*		$ 190.00	$ 100.00
Subtotal	**$ 68,950.00**	**$ 71,791.52**	**$ 68,950.00**
Total Budget	**$ 433,430.00**	**$ 432,420.04**	**$ 433,698.00**
Revenues (2008)			
Pistol Permits	$ 920.00		
Reports	$ 205.00		
Fines	$ 2,625.38		
Special Service Fees	$ 6,572.98		
Grants	$ 4,266.54		
Witness Fees	$ 1,755.30		
Total	**$ 16,345.20**		

Strafford Conservation Commission

2008 Annual Report

The Town of Strafford made significant progress toward the town's Master Plan goals of preserving rural character and protecting natural resources in 2008. New conservation easements on public lands were finalized, protecting as open space long sections of the Isinglass watershed, 350 acres of forest land, and another 290 acres of the Strafford School District land. All of these parcels are open to the public. Two conservation easements on private lands brought the total of land newly protected in 2008 to 868 acres. The Conservation Commission has reported monthly as this project unfolded in its column "Conservation Notes" in the *Strafford Community Calendar*. This large community-wide conservation project succeeded through collaboration with the national Trust for Public Land (TPL), our regional land trust partner, Bear-Paw Regional Greenways, and Strafford boards and Conservation Commission. The TPL had secured the promise of a federal grant for $1.3 million toward purchase from the developer the 267-acre Pig Lane Property along the Isinglass River that had plot plans for as many as 70 houses. The grant was only available if Strafford could provide at least 10% of the $1.5 million purchase price and new conservation easements with a value of extinguished development rights to match the grant dollars. Additional dollars had to be found to meet the final purchase price. It was a daunting task, but the match and dollars were found.

- The Strafford conservation fund contributed $150,000
- Carolyn and Clay Bedford of Barrington gave 80 acres of land across from the Recycling Center to the town to be conserved
- The Strafford School Board supported and Strafford voters at the School District agreed to conserve 290 acres of the property along the Mohawk River, reserving 75 acres for future school use.
- Ed Cournoyer donated a conservation easement on 55 acres of his property that runs from Parker Mountain Road down across Huckins Mill Pond Brook.
- The family of Randall Cooper and Candace Walworth donated a conservation easement on 158 acres of their lands along a long section of Province Road and Wild Goose Pond Road and Buzzey Run
- Bear Paw secured additional grants and individuals made dollar contributions.

On August 1st at the Historical Society's Austin Hall, representatives from all concerned gathered for the signing of the four donated conservation easements and the fifth one, the newly purchased Isinglass River Conservation Reserve. The Conservation Commission thanks the many who made this historic project possible: Ed Cournoyer, Randy Cooper and Candace Walworth for their generous donations of conservation easements on their private lands, Carolyn and Clay Bedford for their outright gift of land to Strafford, Greg Caporossi of the Trust for Public Land and his colleagues there for the grant dollars, the Strafford School Board members and Strafford voters for their support of the project; Dan Kern of Bear-Paw secured grants toward the purchase price and transaction costs of the easements, and Strafford voters who established and support the conservation fund without which we could not have been eligible for the federal dollars or could not have supported the transaction costs of setting up the conservation easements. The Conservation Commission is especially thankful to Phil Auger. This project would not have been possible without the hundreds of hours Phil, as a Bear-Paw board member and a Strafford volunteer, devoted to it in many meetings with town boards, landowners, and TPL.

The conservation of 868 new acres in town ought to be enough excitement for one year, but there was also plenty going on at our Parker Mountain area Town Forest. Town forester Charlie Moreno prepared a careful forest management plan for the conservation commission back in 2005, and part of the management included special care

of the rare and endangered small whorled pogonia growing there. Charlie secured a federal Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program grant for our operations on the Strafford Town Forest lands that will allow us to document and monitor the pogonia populations on the Strafford Town Forest lands as part of a statewide research project coordinated by the Natural Heritage Bureau. Not only were the pogonia carefully plotted in 2008, but the weather turned more favorable to logging and all Strafford loggers were offered the opportunity to bid on the limited forest stewardship operation. Ed Cutter won the bid and has been at work in the forest since late summer. The goals of the operation are wildlife habitat enhancement, timber stand improvement, and improved access for recreation and fire safety. In November, cooperative Extension Strafford County Forestry Educator Deb Goard and Phil Auger worked in the forest laying out and preparing the specifications for a trail system for the Edgerly and Weidman lots. That work should begin in summer of 2009.

Last but not least, the Conservation Commission would again like to thank those who help us maintain the Town Forest and our hiking trails, including Brian Dahlgren, George Kitz, and the Strafford Boy Scouts Troop 23. Your service to our community is deeply appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Harmony Anderson, Jack Bronnenberg, Elizabeth Evans, Carolyn Page, David Perkins, Al Pratt, Cal Schroeder, and alternate members Bruce Smith and JoAnn Brown.

Strafford Energy Committee
Annual Report

Chair

Bill Vance

Members

Ken Berry
Jean Chartrand-Ewen
Jim Forsythe
Dan Phelan
Carol Reynolds

The Strafford Energy Committee attended various meeting in Town and at the State House regarding energy issues within the community. The following is a list of those issues:

- Promoted the installation of energy efficient features during construction, renovation, and/or repair of the school and other public buildings, including but not limited to state of the art heating and cooling equipment
- Requested consideration of bio-fuel for the present elementary school to minimize CO_2 emissions and limit the maintenance needs (cleaner burn)
- Requested insulation around the duct work in the boiler room at Elementary School to improve heating efficiency
- Requested the installation of 2 "No Idling Signs" be posted at the Elementary School (installed)
- Set up booth at Town Meeting and National Election Day to promote energy awareness and recruit new members

The Membership would like to encourage new ideas from Strafford's abundant resources to mitigate climate change, reduce fossil fuel usage, and encourage a sustainable community.

HILL LIBRARY
Annual Report for 2008
Website: www.metrocast.net~straflib/
Telephone 664-2800

Library Hours

Monday:	2:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Tuesday:	12:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Wednesday:	2:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Thursday:	2:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Saturday:	10:00 pm to 2:00 pm

INVENTORY

Books in the library collection as of Jan. 1, 2008	15,540
Books lost, damaged or deleted in 2008	224.
Books added in 2008	827
Books owned as of December 31, 2008	16,143
Videos/Audios owned as of January 1, 2008	911
Videos/Audios lost, damaged or deleted in 2008	43
Videos/Audios added during 2008	198
Videos/Audios owned as of December 31, 2008	1,066
Magazine subscriptions donated or purchased in 2008	44

CIRCULATION

Total patron attendance			9498
Circulation:			
Adult fiction	2342	Adult non-fiction	1152
Children's fiction	3809	Children's non-fiction	933
Magazines			265
Audio tapes, CDs			758
Videos/DVDs			2,641
Materials not bar coded			130
Interlibrary loans			112
Total materials circulated			12,142

Hill Library had another busy year highlighted by visits from Strafford School, home school families, summer reading, and well-attended story hours. Evenings saw meetings of sewing and weaving participants, Energy Group, poetry nights and movie showings. Visiting policemen and guardsmen used the library. People used the computers in search of employment. We lost a week to the ice storm.

Total circulation was less than last year's but attendance was greater. Fewer magazine circulated but borrowing of audio and video materials increased. More men use the library than in past years. Adults borrowed less fiction and more non-fiction. These trends and others will keep our attention in 2009.

HILL LIBRARY

Treasurer's Report for 2008

Beginning balance in checkbook January 1, 2008		27,274.67
Income		
Town appropriation	26,500.00	
Salaries paid by Town	33,929.18	
Total income		60,429.18
Expenses		
Association dues	80.00	
Conferences	135.00	
S.R.P. & Story time	100.00	
Total program expenses		315.00
Collection expenses		
Children's books	1,567.43	
Adult books	2,017.28	
Magazines	223.14	
Professional literature	230.49	
Reference books	334.99	
Audio/visual media	643.19	
Total collection expenses		5,103.70
Computer expenses		
Hardware	248.00	
Software	339.95	
Support service	508.00	
Printer repair	145.15	
Ink cartridges	170.16	
Total computer expenses		1,411.26
Copier & Fax expenses		
Toner/drum	159.49	
Less copy/fax fees	388.00	
Total copier & fax expense		+228.51
Custodial services		1,050.00
Insurance		1,316.00
Miscellaneous		
Defibrillator pads	55.00	
Checks	65.40	
Promotional material	156.12	
Total miscellaneous expense		284.86
Movie license		295.00
Maintenance		2464.00
Museum pass		250.00
P.O Box & postage		131.20

Salaries

Director	14,765.90	
Assistant director	9,146.52	
Librarian 1	5,029.08	
Librarian 2	4,987.68	
Total salaries		33,929.18
Supplies		
Custodial supplies	155.03	
Office supplies	315.25	
Total supplies		570.28
Utilities		
Electricity	2,075.15	
Heat	8,387.96	
Telephone	774.90	
Water system	77.00	
Total utility expense		11, 315.01
Total expenses		58,594.98
Balance in checkbook December 31, 2008		29,905.36
Petty cash		26.00
Cash on hand December 31, 2008		29,931.36

Respectfully submitted,
Charlotte M. Berry, Treasurer

TRUSTEES 2008 HILL LIBRARY REPORT

The Strafford Hill Library's mission statement is "to grow and develop with the community to meet the people's cultural, educational, recreational, and informational needs." The staff and volunteers at the Hill Library work hard to keep our library up to date and user friendly. We have added many new materials; books, CDs, Videos, and DVDs. We have updated and upgraded the computers. And we work hard to keep ourselves up to date so we can all help you find whatever it is you are looking for at the Hill Library.

In addition to regular hours when people can do research, sit and read a book, check email and work on a computer, or check out whatever material they want, the library is open for various other activities. Some available programs are:

- Family Movies twice monthly on Saturday nights
- Local "bug experts" to help fifth graders identify bugs for their projects
- Fiber Arts group meets weekly
- Story Time twice monthly for preschoolers
- Summer Reading Program for youngsters during school vacation
- Mr. and Mrs. Berry give tours and read stories to school groups at the beginning of the school year
- Book Club meets to discuss a selection once each month
- Model Airplanes night once each month
- Scrabble/ Game night once each month
- Annual CPR course available to the community
- The Cilley Room serves as a regular meeting place for several community groups

Some other programs that have been done during the year are:

- Poetry readings with local talent reading their own works
- Comedy night with local talent
- Song night with local musicians
- Summer patron appreciation party
- Reception to honor Charles Simic, U S Poet Lauriat
- Financial planner available to discuss current financial issues
- Candidates night prior to elections
- New Hampshire Humanities Council programs

We thank all of the volunteers in the Strafford Library Association who work diligently to keep the building and grounds in spectacular condition.

Finally, we would like to thank all the many volunteers who put in hours of work to keep the library running and all the contributors who donate books, movies, and money. Without you, our costs would be exorbitant. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Baxter, David Benger, and Martha English, Trustees
Charles Burnham, Indra Edmonds, and Pam Marks, Alternate Trustees

Trustees of Hill Library
Treasurer's Report 2008

Income:		
Beginning balance January 1, 2008	8,895.46	
Book fines	787.65	
Book (used) sale	389.00	
Donations	618.80	
Antivirus refund	120.00	
Lost & damaged materials	30.90	
Out of town library cards	30.00	
Total income for 2008		10,871.35
Expenditures:		
A-V materials	179.80	
Adult books	303.71	
Children's books	36.74	
Total expenses for 2008		520.25
Balance in checkbook December 31, 2008		10,351.56
Beginning CD account on January 1, 2008		10,629.87
Interest as of December 31 2008		286.30
Balance of CD Dec. 31, 2008		10,916.17

PLANNING BOARD REPORT 2008

Although subdivision activity slowed along with the real estate market in 2008, we continue to see a number of small subdivisions with people creating new lots for family members, so the Board remains active. The Board is also trying to take advantage of our lighter schedule to take the time to continue our review of zoning and subdivision regulations so that Strafford will develop in the ways envisioned in our Master Plan. Board members continue to attend training sessions to explore new ideas for balancing growth with natural resource protection.

Our continuing thanks to the three volunteer citizen committees, first formed under the NROC program (Natural Resources Outreach Coalition through UNH Cooperative Extension) that continue to meet and work with the Planning Board and Conservation Commission. The Managed Growth Group continues to meet to help the Boards by reviewing and evaluating both our current ordinances and a number of innovative growth management tools available to communities. Water Quality Group volunteers continue to contribute to the UNH water quality study monitoring tributaries entering Bow Lake. The Land Preservation Committee continues to work closely with the Conservation Commission and Bear-Paw Regional Greenways to promote conservation easements and other land preservation projects.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles A. Moreno, Chairman

Receipts 2008

Application Fees	$ 5,694.00
Books (Town Zoning Ordinances and Regulations)	$ 40.00
Miscellaneous	$ 8.00
Total	$ 5,742.00

Expenditures 2008

Postage	$ 1,022.73
Advertising (Foster's Daily Democrat)	$ 84.00
Secretarial	$ 1,296.25
Supplies & Equipment	$ 803.92
Total	$ 3,206.90

STRAFFORD RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT

The Red Cross swim program at the Bow Lake beach continues to be popular, especially for beginning swimmers. We had two sessions during the summer, one in July and one in August. The majority of our swimmers were very attentive, put effort into learning the skills, and passed their levels. We look forward to seeing them again next season.

We once again had good coverage at the Bow Lake beach during daytime hours. Our lifeguards are on duty from 10 A.M. until 4: 30 P.M. daily during the summer season. Salaries for this summer amounted to $ 11,669. Other expenses such as equipment, Red Cross swim program administrative fees, water testing, general maintenance, and the summer arts program increased the total summer expenses by $ 2648.44. Income from swim lessons was $860. Beach pass income was $245.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted White, WSI

ROCHESTER DISTRICT VNA
ANNUAL REPORT for 2008

Rochester District VNA (Your VNA) continues to serve as your home health agency providing skilled nursing, rehabilitative therapies, medical social work, licensed nursing assistance and supportive services on an intermittent basis throughout your community. We are proud to provide you with highly skilled and well trained clinicians.

Home health care continues to incur reductions in Medicare reimbursement with additional reductions threatened for the next three years. Skilled service provided under Medicaid is reimbursed by the state at less than half the cost to provide it. The numbers of uninsured individuals increase each year. Your funding of these services is crucial to people in need of skilled nursing and therapy care. Adequate funding for home care is critical to keeping patients in their home, the most cost-effective place to receive care.

The acuity of our patients is constantly increasing. Many patients need IV therapy. chemo therapy. enteral feedings, therapy after knee/hip replacements and complicated wound dressings. Patients are discharged very quickly from hospitals and require the skilled services provided by our trained nurses and therapists. Many hospital admissions are avoided by a referral directly to home care from the physician.

We continue to provide support services including: homemakers, personal care attendants and in-home companions paid by Title XX and Strafford County funding as well as by the patient. These services allow individuals requiring minimal support to remain safely in their homes at the lowest possible cost. We opened our Adult Day Center one year ago, which benefits many families by providing a safe, family atmosphere for loved ones no longer able to be at home alone.

We continue to improve our utilization of electronic charts resulting in the following: improved clinical efficiency and accuracy of documentation, flow of data to appropriate disciplines at the time most needed, ease of viewing historical data, improved coordination of care, decreased man hours with less manual paper processes and a reduction in errors. We have reduced office staff by relying more on technology. This saves dollars and improves access and accuracy. Telehealth use continues to increase. The results of daily monitoring of our most seriously ill patients have prevented additional visits to the emergency room through early interventions.

Our biggest and most critical challenge is being dependent on the government for 85% of our revenue. We set charges for services, but are dependent on what the government pays regardless of the cost to provide the care. Therefore, your continued support of Rochester District Visiting Nurse Association (Your VNA) is vitally important to our abilities to meet the many health needs in your community. It is also important when you need home care to ask for us by name. **You have a choice**. **Ask for Rochester District VNA by name.**

11 months #s annualized
Visits by Service:

Skilled Nursing	470
Physical Therapy	320
Occupational Therapy	63
Speech Therapy	3
Medical Social Work	10
LNA (nursing assistant)	261
Homemaking	9
Perinatal visits	7
In-home provider	

# of Home Care patients
admitted by payment source

Medicare	40
Medicaid	0
Insurance	10
Private/Self	0

# of Support Services Admissions by pay source

Title XX and County	
Insurance	1
Private Pay	

Submitted by: Linda Hotchkiss RN, MHSA, Chief Executive Officer

DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED		BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	NEW FUNDS CREATED	CASH GAINS OR (LOSSES)	WITHDRAWALS	BALANCE END YEAR	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	INCOME PERCENT	DURING YEAR AMOUNT	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE END YEAR	GRAND TOTAL OF PRINCIPAL & INCOME
	COMMON TRUST FUND														
9/8/1925	BABB, JOHN	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	0.68%	$ 100.00				$ 100.00	457.81		$ 6.83		464.64	$ 564.61
6/16/1930	BROWN, ALBERT (HALL)	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	0.34%	$ 50.00				$ 50.00	61.47		$ 3.31		64.78	$ 114.78
12/31/1972	BROWN, ALBERT (CRITC)	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	0.34%	$ 50.00				$ 50.00	78.41		$ 3.31		79.72	$ 129.72
12/10/1930	CASWELL-DEARBORN	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	2.72%	$ 400.00				$ 400.00	179.57		$ 26.51		206.08	$ 606.08
4/21/1927	CAVERLY, ABBIE	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	0.68%	$ 100.00				$ 100.00	567.72		$ 6.63		574.36	$ 674.36
5/3/1972	CAVERLY, REV JOHN	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	4.62%	$ 666.00				$ 666.00	360.61		$ 44.06		404.66	$ 1,066.66
6/8/1927	CLARK, JOHN	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	0.68%	$ 100.00				$ 100.00	736.77		$ 6.63		746.40	$ 846.40
9/3/1971	COOPER, LILLIAN-FOSS	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	1.36%	$ 200.00				$ 200.00	519.94		$ 13.26		532.70	$ 732.70
5/16/1966	FOSS, BENJAMIN	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	2.72%	$ 400.00				$ 400.00	366.99		$ 26.51		423.47	$ 823.47
9/2/1933	FOSS, HERBERT	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	1.36%	$ 200.00				$ 200.00	741.89		$ 13.26		754.60	$ 954.60
5/16/1960	FOSS, ROBERT	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	0.68%	$ 100.00				$ 100.00	294.21		$ 6.63		301.84	$ 401.84
5/16/1966	FOYE-PERKINS	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	2.72%	$ 400.00				$ 400.00	411.26		$ 26.51		437.76	$ 837.76
3/4/1966	FOYE (WINGATE FARM)	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	2.72%	$ 400.00				$ 400.00	276.53		$ 26.51		302.04	$ 702.04
6/2/1939	GARFIELD, ELIZA	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	1.02%	$ 150.00				$ 150.00	316.57		$ 9.94		326.51	$ 476.51
5/5/1950	HAM, LLEWELYN	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	1.36%	$ 200.00				$ 200.00	726.37		$ 13.26		739.62	$ 939.62
6/28/2000	HANSON #1	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	2.04%	$ 300.00				$ 300.00	181.22		$ 7.94		188.96	$ 488.96
9/8/1960	HARTWELL, ELIZABETH	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	0.68%	$ 100.00				$ 100.00	497.61		$ 6.63		504.24	$ 604.24
10/2/1921	HAWKINS, BETSEY	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	0.68%	$ 100.00				$ 100.00	13.09		$ 6.63	($13.06)	6.63	$ 106.66
6/6/1925	HAYES, PAUL	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	0.34%	$ 50.00				$ 50.00	111.76		$ 3.31		115.07	$ 165.07
9/4/1934	HOLMES, ELLA	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	0.68%	$ 100.00				$ 100.00	144.98		$ 6.63		151.19	$ 251.19
5/16/1966	HOSEA BERRY CEM.	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	4.08%	$ 600.00				$ 600.00	615.88		$ 39.78		655.61	$ 1,255.61
5/16/1966	HOWARD CEM	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	8.44%	$ 800.00				$ 800.00	944.87		$ 53.01		997.88	$ 1,897.88
12/23/1930	JENNESS, JOHN	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	1.36%	$ 200.00				$ 200.00	509.54		$ 13.26		518.80	$ 718.80
10/1/1921	JENNESS, SAMUEL	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	1.36%	$ 200.00				$ 200.00	806.71		$ 13.26		819.96	$ 1,019.96
10/25/1930	JENNESS, SAMUEL	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	1.36%	$ 200.00				$ 200.00	456.82		$ 19.26		466.07	$ 666.07
4/12/1927	JEWELL, JOHN W.	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	0.68%	$ 100.00				$ 100.00	467.16		$ 6.63		473.81	$ 573.81
7/25/1966	KERRIVAN (BUZZELL CEM)	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	2.04%	$ 400.00				$ 400.00	96.11		$ 10.86		106.96	$ 506.96
5/11/1966	LEIGHTON, WINKLEY	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	1.70%	$ 250.00				$ 250.00	860.92		$ 16.57		876.49	$ 1,226.49
5/16/1966	LOUGEE (EDGERLY RD)	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	2.72%	$ 400.00				$ 400.00	383.86		$ 26.51		410.36	$ 810.36
3/4/1966	OTIS-DREW	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	6.79%	$ 1,000.00				$ 1,000.00	954.70		$ 66.17		1,020.87	$ 2,020.87
6/2/1921	PERKINS, NANCY	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	0.68%	$ 100.00				$ 100.00	560.17		$ 6.63		566.80	$ 666.80
9/8/1957	PERKINS, PAUL	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	1.19%	$ 175.00				$ 175.00	862.70		$ 11.60		874.30	$ 1,049.30
1/8/1961	BAXTON, HELEN FOSS	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	6.79%	$ 1,000.00				$ 1,000.00	1,154.43		$ 66.17		1,220.60	$ 2,220.60
11/18/1966	SCRUTON	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	8.40%	$ 500.00				$ 500.00	293.33		$ 33.13		326.46	$ 826.46
1/7/1922	SEAVEY, ABBIE	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	0.68%	$ 100.00				$ 100.00	13.06		$ 6.63	($13.06)	6.63	$ 106.63
10/1/1966	SLOPER ROAD	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	0.34%	$ 50.00				$ 50.00	40.41		$ 3.31		43.72	$ 93.72
4/3/1927	SMITH, D.W.	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	0.68%	$ 100.00				$ 100.00	13.06		$ 6.63	($13.06)	6.63	$ 106.63
8/12/1944	STANTON, FRED	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	1.36%	$ 200.00				$ 200.00	54.92		$ 13.26		68.17	$ 268.17
9/8/1972	SWAIN, ANNIE & GRAY	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	1.36%	$ 200.00				$ 200.00	589.53		$ 13.26		602.79	$ 802.79
3/4/1966	TOBIAS DREW CEM	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	6.79%	$ 1,000.00				$ 1,000.00	948.19		$ 66.17		1,014.36	$ 2,014.36
9/8/1972	WAIN, MARY J.	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	2.72%	$ 400.00				$ 400.00	342.74		$ 26.51		369.25	$ 769.25
10/22/1966	WALDRON, JOHN	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	0.68%	$ 100.00				$ 100.00	486.45		$ 6.63		493.08	$ 593.08
5/11/1966	WALDRON, CASWELL	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	0.68%	$ 100.00				$ 100.00	251.76		$ 6.63		258.38	$ 358.38
12/10/1937	WALKER, JAMES	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	0.68%	$ 100.00				$ 100.00	13.09		$ 6.63	($13.06)	6.63	$ 106.63
6/3/1926	WATERHOUSE, ELLA	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	1.36%	$ 200.00				$ 200.00	26.13		$ 13.26	($13.06)	26.32	$ 226.32
3/10/1966	WEBSTER, TUTTLE	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	2.55%	$ 375.00				$ 375.00	739.30		$ 13.26		752.56	$ 1,127.56
6/13/1916	WELCH, BETSEY	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP/CD	1.36%	$ 200.00				$ 200.00	672.40		$ 13.26		685.66	$ 885.66
	ROUNDING														
		TOTALS			$ 13,218.00				$ 13,218.00	20,710.99		$ 844.96	$ (78.37)	21,477.18	$ 34,692.18
				99.11%	$ 14,218.00										
01/01/1999	YOUNG,LAVINIA	EDUCATION	NHPDIP/CD	7.19%	$ 1,000.00				$ 1,000.00	$ 4,741.68		$ 129.83		4,871.48	$ 5,871.48
01/01/1999	CEMETARY PERPETUAL CARE #6	EDUCATION	NHPDIP	100.00%	$ 14,218.00				$ 14,218.00	$ 26,452.57		$ 974.46	($78.37)	$ 26,348.66	$ 40,566.66
												$ 10.83			
3/10/1960	THEODORE STORER TRUST FUND #11	CONSERV	NHPDIP	100.00%	$ 11,500.00			(2,300.00)	$ 11,500.00	$ 24,354.61		$ 872.89	(2,300.00)	$ 22,927.79	$ 34,427.79
7/18/2005	SPECIAL ED GROWTH FUND#0017	EDUCATION	NHPDIP	100.00%	$ 28,092.66			($9,562.26)	$ 28,092.66	$ 1,493.79		$ 948.54	$ (9,562.26)	($8,442.93)	$ 21,649.66
	COMMON TRUST FUND INVESTMENTS														$ 96,841.10
12/31/2006	Perpetual Care Checking Account	PERP CARE							680.26			0.57			680.83
						0.00			26,274.66	46,203.44		9,663.43	(80.42)	49,797.15	

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3/10/1998	FOREST FIRE FUND #0005	CONTINGEN	NHPDIP	100.00%	$ 4,838.27				$ 4,838.27	$ 821.42		$ 138.92		$ 960.34	$ 5,798.61
12/31/1960	SCHOOL I&B #0007	PEPLACE	NHPDIP	100.00%	$220,026.31	$25,000.00			$245,026.31	$ 31,827.39		$ 6,391.66		$ 38,219.05	$283,245.36
01/01/1899	CEMETARY PERPETUAL CARE #6	EDUCATION	NHPDIP	100.00%	$ 14,215.00			$ (78.37)	$ 14,215.00	$ 26,452.57		$ 974.46	$ (78.37)	$ 26,348.66	$ 40,563.66
3/8/1964	RECREATION LAND #0009	BUILD	NHPDIP	100.00%	$ 5,000.00				$ 5,000.00	$ 6,961.28		$ 293.93		$ 7,245.21	$ 12,245.21
3/10/1980	THEODORE STORER TRUST FUND #11	CONSERV	NHPDIP	100.00%	$ 11,500.00			(2,300.00)	$ 11,500.00	$ 24,354.91		$ 872.88	(2,300.00)	$ 22,927.79	$ 34,427.79
4/26/1966	CONSERVATION #0012	PURCHASE	NHPDIP	100.00%	$ 1,000.00				$ 1,000.00	$ 848.63		$ 45.49		$ 894.12	$ 1,894.12
3/14/2000	RECORDS STORAGE FACILITY #0014	PURCHASE	NHPDIP	100.00%	$ 10,000.00				$ 10,000.00	$ 1,393.76		$ 280.04		$ 1,673.80	$ 11,673.80
1/5/2005	BRIDGE C AND R #0015	CONTINGEN	NHPDIP	100.00%	$ 28,000.00				$ 28,000.00	$ 2,139.16		$ 740.83		$ 2,880.01	$ 30,880.01
1/5/2005	OFFICE EQUIPTMENT FUND #0016	PURCHASE	NHPDIP	100.00%	$ 16,000.00			$ (4,000.00)	$ 16,000.00	$ 1,980.30		$ 374.47	(4,000.00)	($1,845.23)	$ 13,354.77
7/18/2005	SPECIAL ED GROWTH FUND#0017	EDUCATION	NHPDIP	100.00%	$ 28,092.58			($8,592.26)	$ 28,092.58	$ 1,493.79		$ 656.54	$ (8,592.26)	($6,442.93)	$ 21,649.65
9/27/2005	MUNICIPAL BUILDING FUND #0018	BUILD	NHPDIP	100.00%	$400,000.00			$(448,253.76)	$400,000.00	$ 44,594.08		$ 5,137.26	$(448,253.76)	($398,522.42)	$ 1,477.58
9/27/2005	FIRE ENGINE FUND #0019	PURCHASE	NHPDIP	100.00%	$160,000.00				$160,000.00	$ 12,329.69		$ 3,990.69		$16,320.38	$176,320.38
8/31/2007	TOWN DOCK ACCOUNT #21	MAINTAINENCE	NHPDIP	100.00%	$ 20,000.00				$ 20,000.00	$ 336.02		$ 500.03		$836.06	$ 20,836.06
10/13/1902	POLICE VEHICLE FUND #22	NEW VEC	NHPDIP	100.00%		$20,000.00			$ 20,000.00			$ 50.12		$50.12	$ 20,050.12
	TOWN DOCK REPAIR #23	Down Dock	NHPDIP	100.00%		$20,000.00			$ 20,000.00			$ 50.12		$50.12	$20,050.12
	TOTAL TRUST AND CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS				$607,666.16	$65,000.00		($463,224.39)	$672,859.18	$184,822.62		$20,494.44	$(463,224.39)	-258206.33	$684,463.23

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REPORT 2008

The Board of Adjustment held five regular meetings for the consideration of applications requesting variances or special exceptions to the Zoning and Land Use Ordinances of the Town. The number of times the Board meets during a year is based on the number of applications received.

Susan L. Arnold, Chairman

Receipts 2008

Application Fees & Misc	$ 2,270.00
Total	$ 2,270.00

Expenditures 2008

Postage	$ 427.00
Foster's Daily Democrat (Public Notices)	$ 357.00
Secretarial	$ 256.98
Total	$ 1,040.98

STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
REPORT FOR 2008

OFFICERS OF THE STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

2009-2010

SCHOOL BOARD

	Term Expires
Mr. Bruce Patrick, Chairman	2009
Ms. Lynda Powers, Vice Chair	2011
Ms. Christine Bane	2010
Ms. Rebecca Doty	2009
Mr. Jason Grant	2010

INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Michael Ludwell, PhD.

INTERIM BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR

Allan Demko, MBA

SPECIAL EDUCATION DIRECTOR

Jean M. Parsons, M.S.

PRINCIPAL

Richard A. Jenisch, M.A.

TREASURER

Sandra Pierce

CLERK

Carrolle Popovich

MODERATOR

James Allmendinger

AUDITOR

Vachon, Clukay & Co, P.C.

The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Strafford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Strafford School in said District on the 4th day of March 2009, at 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. "To see if the Strafford School District will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of one dollar ($1.00) to accept from the Town of Strafford the former Town Office Building currently located on school district land and to transfer by a real estate deed to the Strafford School District for said mentioned building."

2. " Shall the Strafford School District vote to approve the cost item included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Strafford School Board and the Strafford Educational Association – NEA New Hampshire which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimate Increases
2009-2010	$ 144,844
2010-2011	$ 133,957
2011-2012	$ 138,318

   and further to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred forty four thousand eight hundred and forty four dollars and no cents ($144,844) for the upcoming fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year.
   The School Board recommends this appropriation.

3. "To see if the Strafford School District will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of ten million one hundred forty eight thousand two hundred ninety five dollars and fifty five ($10,148,295.55) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the Strafford School District. This article does not include appropriations voted in other warrant articles."

4. Shall the Strafford School District accept the provisions of RSA 198:20-b providing that any school district at an annual meeting may adopt indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the school board to apply for, accept and expend without further action by the Strafford School District, unanticipated money from a state, federal or other governmental unit or private source which becomes available during the fiscal year?

5. "To see if the Strafford School District will raise and appropriate up to Twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) to be placed in the School District Capital Reserve Fund, established in 1985, for the purpose of financing any and all capital improvements to school buildings as well as all or part of the cost of new construction for the Strafford School District in accordance with RSA Chapter 35, with such amount to be funded from the year end undesignated fund balance (surplus) available on July 1, 2009. The balance of this account as of 12/31/08 is two hundred eighty three thousand two hundred forty five dollars and thirty six cents ($283,245.36).
The School Board recommends this article.

6. "To direct the School Board of the School District of Strafford to cap any increase of their Annual Budget to any projected increase in revenue above the last Annual Budget and in no case to increase the Annual Budget more than the rate of inflation, as defined by the "National Consumer Price Index-(Urban/Rural)-(Urban/Rural)"(CPI-U/R) as averaged over the twelve months preceding the vote of the new Annual Budget."

7. To choose agents and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

8. To transact any other business this may be legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Strafford this ____11th__. Day of February 2009.

Christine Bass

School Board

A true copy of Warrant- Attest:

Christine Bass

School Board

I certify that on the _____11th_____ day of February, 2009 the written

warrant article attested by the School Board of said District at the place of meeting within named and a like attested copy at the Strafford School and SAU 44 being a public place in said district.

Allan S Demko, Interim Business Administrator

SS New Hampshire 2009

Personally appeared the said Allan Demko and made oath

the above certificate by Allan Demko signed is true.

Before me Patricia A. Beach Notary Public

PATRICIA A. BEACH, Notary Public
My Commission Expires July 13, 2010

Strafford School District
2009-2010 Budget Draft

ccount Number / Description	2 Yrs Prior Actual 07-08 7/1/2007 - 6/30/2008	1 Year Prior Adopted 7/1/2008 - 6/30/2009	Payroll 7/1/2009 - 6/30/2010	Non-Requests 7/1/2009 - 6/30/2010	Budget Total 7/1/2009 - 6/30/2010	Budget Difference 7/1/2009 - 6/30/2010
gular Education Programs						
-1100-5110-090 Lunch Room Monitor:	13,011.85	12,691.22	13,792.45	0.00	13,792.45	1,101.23
Notes: These two individuals are responsible for assisting students & monitoring behavior during the school's four lunch periods. They also assist w/ the collection of lunch tickets & money & w/ light cafeteria clean up. These individuals work three & a half hours a day, five days a week, 180 days a year.						
-1100-5110-092 Bus Monitors	4,420.00	3,600.00	0.00	3,600.00	3,600.00	0.00
Notes: This individual is assigned to various buses on a rotating basis to monitor student behavior, to assist drivers w/ behavior management and safety, and to review videotapes of bus runs. Bus occupancy is near maximum on most of Strafford's buses w/ 70 or more students riding on many. The monitor helps to ensure that the safety & well being of students is consistently maintained. Eight buses serve the elementary school & three transport high school students. The monitor works two hours a day, 180 days a year.						
-1100-5110-201 Teacher Salaries:	1,592,460.65	1,660,983.00	1,654,575.48	0.00	1,654,575.48	(6,407.52)
Notes: This line represents the salaries of twenty-six (26) classroom teachers, two Reading Recovery teachers, art, health, instrumental music, classroom music, physical education staff, a full time reading specialist, a full time foreign language instructor, and a full time technology teacher. Salaries reflect years of experience, degree attainment and corresponding track changes as outlined in the Master Agreement between the Strafford School District and the Strafford Education Association.						
-1100-5110-203 Director Of Technology:	55,000.00	56,650.00	58,349.50	0.00	58,349.50	1,699.50
Notes: This individual is responsible for the administration of Strafford School's Technology Program & all related systems. Responsibilities include the management and implementation of Strafford's' Technology Plan, technology curriculum development, technology related grant writing, e-rate management, security related to technology use, network administrator, data management, web page and email management, & the integration of technology into all areas of the school program: classroom, administration, software management, media services, etc.. Other responsibilities include the repair and maintenance of hardware&software, technology related purchasing, the management & control of online services, and technology related policy development and budget preparation.						
-1100-5110-204 Discipline Management and Education	2,940.00	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
Notes: This line represents funds to support Saturday school. Participants are assigned to Saturday school exclusively by the administration. Saturday school provides students the opportunity to focus on a variety of academic and social issues including harassment, decision-making, problem solving, tolerance, personal management, organization, completing assignments, improving behaviors, and other related areas. Certified school personnel supervise students. This line funds a teacher & an assistant for each three-hour Saturday school throughout the year.						
-1100-5120-020 Substitute Teacher Salaries:	32,883.16	35,000.00	0.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	0.00
Notes: Provides substitute coverage for staff when they are ill, on temporary leave, attending in house training, participating in professional growth activities or involved in an emergency. The daily rate for substitutes is currently $70 a day.						

Strafford School District
2009-2010 Budget Draft

Account Number / Description	2 Yrs Prior Actual 07-08 7/1/2007 - 6/30/2008	1 Year Prior Adopted 7/1/2008 - 6/30/2009	Payroll 7/1/2009 - 6/30/2010	Non-Requests 7/1/2009 - 6/30/2010	Budget Total 7/1/2009 - 6/30/2010	Budget Difference 7/1/2009 - 6/30/2010
01-1100-5121-020 Tutor Salaries:	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Notes: Tutors are hired to work with children who are unable to attend school due to long-term illness or injury.						
01-1100-5211-000 Health Insurance: (Cert.and Non-Certifie	315,266.26	379,631.53	343,919.36	0.00	343,919.36	(35,712.17)
Notes: The following lines represent the benefits associated with all staff. Many of these benefits are negotiated and are part of the master agreement between the school district and the Strafford Education Association. The Strafford School District is part of HealthTrust New Hampshire Municipal Association (NHMA). Contractual commitment for staff is 95% single person plan, 88% of Two Person Plan or 80% of Family Plan. The anticipated overall rate increase is 7%.						
01-1100-5212-000 Dental Insurance: (Cert.and Non-Certifie	13,838.23	22,493.69	15,308.84	0.00	15,308.84	(7,184.85)
Notes: Cost for Delta Dental Insurance plan for all eligible staff. Contractual commitment for staff: full cost of single person plan. current 2008-2009: $441.60 3.7% anticipated increase 2009-2010: $605.00						
01-1100-5213-000 Life Insurance:	2,790.90	4,972.60	0.00	4,972.60	4,972.60	0.00
Notes: Life Insurance, $30,000 for eligible employees.						
01-1100-5215-000 Long Term Disability Insurance	6,308.65	7,655.42	0.00	7,655.42	7,655.42	0.00
Notes: This line represents $.28 per $100 of monthly covered payroll. All members of the Strafford Education Association are covered by this benefit.						
01-1100-5219-000 Buy-Out	7,500.00	13,600.00	0.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	(1,600.00)
Notes: The school board offers a $1,000.00 annual buy out to any employee who does not enroll in the school district health plan.						
01-1100-5220-000 F.I.C.A.:	126,626.18	134,734.32	132,093.84	0.00	132,093.84	(2,640.48)
Notes: Social Security payments for all staff/substitutes in salary accounts. Current Rate: 7.65%.						
01-1100-5231-000 Retirement (Non-Certified):	5,059.42	4,951.21	5,304.00	0.00	5,304.00	352.79
Notes: (Over 35 hours per week). Employer's contribution to mandatory state retirement system. The rate is increasing from 8.74% to 9.09%.						
01-1100-5232-000 Retirement (Certified):	93,106.06	96,743.01	113,380.86	0.00	113,380.86	16,637.85
Notes: Employer's contribution to mandatory state retirement system. The rate is increasing from 5.8% to 6.96%.						
01-1100-5250-000 Unemployment Compensation	2,216.04	2,540.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	(40.00)
01-1100-5260-000 Worker's Compensation	12,702.11	7,850.00	0.00	3,600.12	3,600.12	(4,249.88)
01-1100-5290-000 Sick Day Reimbursement	8,712.50	8,000.00	0.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00

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Notes: Covers language in the Master Agreement that reads, "After five years of service in the Strafford School District, a professional employee leaving or retiring will be reimbursed for accrued sick leave at a rate of twenty-five dollars ($25.00) per day."						
1-1100-5313-000 Criminal Record Checks	1,282.25	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Notes: This line funds fees connected with fingerprinting and criminal record checks required by law on all new employees to the school district and on all substitutes & volunteers. Since this information is no longer transferable from one district to another it must be completed on all new hires even if they were previously employed and cleared by another district.						
1-1100-5430-000 Repairs and Maintenance:	763.49	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
Notes: This line provides for the cost of repairing and maintaining the school's inventory of computers and AV equipment. Most minor repairs are made in house.						
1-1100-5442-000 Contracted Services:	9,044.73	9,400.00	0.00	9,900.00	9,900.00	500.00
Notes: This line represents lease, service and supplies for the school's Konica 7255 high speed copier combined into one contracted service as well as a service agreement for the school's laminator.						
1-1100-5442-001 Contracted Services On Line Host	336.70	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(500.00)
1-1100-5550-000 Printing	5,362.46	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00
Notes: This line supports the publication of the agenda books that are provided to each student in grades 3-8 as an organizational tool. Other printing includes report cards, interim reports, report card envelopes, test reporting documents, bus discipline reports, discipline reports, staff development forms, parent handbooks, volunteer handbooks, etc.						
1-1100-5561-000 Tuition-Other Public Schools:	14,850.00	9,497.00	0.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	15,503.00
Notes: This line represents high school students who have School Board permission to attend a high school other than Coe-Brown Northwood Academy. Projected Enrollment 2009-2010 is Spaulding HS 1, and Charter Schools 5.						
1-1100-5563-000 Tuition-Coe Brown:	2,844,592.97	3,324,160.00	0.00	3,268,888.00	3,268,888.00	(55,272.00)

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Notes: This line reflects tuition to Strafford's High School of record, Coe Brown Northwood Academy. Coe Brown's Board of Trustees set the tuition rate annually between December and January. The rate increase for next year is 2.46% for regular education and a 8.51 % increase for special education. Strafford is currently in year 1 of a 5 year contract with Coe Brown.

TUITION RATES FOR: 09-10
Coe-Brown Northwood Academy $12,152.00
Special Education Skills Program: $18,908.00

Projected Enrollment for 2009 - 2010

Gr. 9	Gr. 10	Gr. 11	Gr. 12	Total	Total Tuition
66	67	68	63	264	
Plus Extra 5 students				269	$3,268,888.00

01-1100-5564-000	Tuition Private and Other Schools	16,718.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-1100-5610-002	Art Supplies:	2,427.61	3,500.00	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	(500.00)

Notes: The supplies in this line support the art education program for students in grades K-8 & other art related activities & participation in regional student art exhibitions. The art program provides students the opportunity to explore many art mediums & is often integrated into the regular classroom curriculum to enhance project work & research. The art program is built around standards for art education developed by the State of N.H. A major goal of the program is to develop cultural awareness and help students gain valuable information about the world around them through their experiences in art. The art program provides students the knowledge and skill they can use to enrich their lives. The following is a basic list of materials purchased to support art programming at Strafford School. The list varies slightly year to year based on usage and available inventory.

Holographic Paper Metallic Paints Carpet Wrap Pottery Plaster
Stamp Inkers Knife Blades Safety Compass Watercolor Paints
Pastels Drawing Markers Kraft Bags Colored Pencils
Stain Remover Crystal Color Wheel Mixing Medium Twine Block
Printing Ink Glaze (assorted) Markers Aluminum Rulers
Linoleum Cutters Glue Sticks Art Tissue Paint Brushes
Plaster of Paris Wire Kraft Kit Foil Paper Artist Economy
Knives Slab Wax Low Fire Clay Indian Red Clay
India Ink Wire Netting Acetate Pads Watercolor Brushes
Duco cement Acrylic Paint Junior Cones Createx Marbling
Assorted Color Art Papers Monographic Paper Fluorescent Crayon
Watercolor Paper Kneaded Rubber Film & Developing
Calligraphic Parchment Nature Print Paper Calligraphy Supplies

This line also supports, in part, an after school open art studio program that is offered to students during the school year and during the summer. The program provides students the opportunity and resources to create using a variety of artistic media.

01-1100-5610-005	Lang Arts-Reading Supplies:	2,785.22	3,000.00	0.00	3,800.00	3,800.00	800.00

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Notes: This line represents the purchase of specialty papers, penmanship & writing supplies, and a wide variety of other resource materials to support the school's language arts/reading program. This line also represents the purchase of supplementary reading materials for students at all levels as well as the purchase of consumable materials to support the school's current reading program. All budget categories representing reading/language arts support school initiatives designed to raise individual student test scores in reading and writing. While assessments shows the school is doing quite well in this area, they also indicate that more work needs to be done to help struggling students reach their potential as readers and writers. Writers at Work Poster Set — Reading Skills Set Helpful Hints for Reading Non-fiction — Surface Area Poster Thinking Algebraically — First Word Series-Set 3 Weekly & Unit Pupil Assessments — Grammar Practice Books Spelling Practice Books — Double Line Sentence Strips Name Plates — Writing Notebooks Print Alphabet Dest Strips — Modern Cursive for Upper Grades Penmenship Practice Bks. Mult. Levels — Punctuation Pockets 7th & 8th Grade Daybooks (writing) — Writing Journals						
1-1100-5610-006 Foreign Language Supplies	1,543.75	2,500.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	(500.00)
Notes: Classes in foreign language are being offered to students in grades 2-8. The school has added a Spanish course at the eight grade level. This provides students with an opportunity to explore both languages to help prepare them to transition into these classes in high school. This line represents the cost of books, workbooks, consumable and non-consumable supplies to support the foreign language program. National French Week Quizes — Paris sur let Net Calendrier d'Histoire Francaise — Discovering the Regions of France 100+ Reproducible Activities in French — Foreign Language Games 100+ Reproducible Spanish Activities — Bravo! Begin the Year with a Bang/Spanish Quebec City English Book & DVD — Montreal the Adventure English Book & DVD France: Beyond our Borders DVD — Ewenn Congar French Vocabulary Program Incentives						
1-1100-5610-008 Health Education	1,568.11	1,600.00	0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	(400.00)
Notes: This line includes resources and materials to support special projects and lessons in health education at every grade level. Other materials will be purchased when needed throughout the year to support special units of study. Since there is currently no classroom for health education, space for materials and resources is limited.. Food Pyramid Activity Mat — Fruit, Veggie, Posters — Incentives — Teen Success Bks Consumable Purchased During the Year as Needed						
1-1100-5610-011 Math Supplies:	4,012.28	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00

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Notes: This line represents the purchase of manipulatives and other hands-on math resources to support and supplement the schools core math program (SAXON MATH). Examples of purchases in this area include: Tangrams Class Set Saxon Supplementary Materials Calculators Math Manipulatives Timers Assessment Materials Math Folders Meeting Board Materials Learning Wrap-Ups Demonstration Coins (Plastic) Student Number Cards Number Lines Student Digit Cards Learning Palettes Lesson Workmats						
01-1100-5610-013 Science Supplies:	1,013.16	1,800.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	(300.00)
Notes: These consumable and non-consumable materials support the science program in grades K-8. This line also represents the purchase of "live" and "preserved" organisms for classroom study. Redworm Pack Coffee Filters Cups/All Sizes Tray PaperDrinking Straws Plastic Spoons Petri Dishes Effervescent Tablets Sugar & Other Powders Easy Science Demo Chemistry & Physics Brushes Trundle Wheel Pyrex Beakers All Sizes Test Tube Tongs Stoppers Wire Gauze Autoclave Gloves Microbe Scavenger Hunt Extracting DNA Soda Pop Science Consumables Picked Up Throughout the Year to Support Labs Matter Resource Book Owl Pellets Grasshoppers Audubon Field Guides Guide to Microlife Plant Cell Slides Animal Cell Slides Water Cycle Poster Simple Machines Chart Phases of the Moon Poster Seed Assortment Set Drosophila Culture Vial Sets Various Chemicals Animal Cell Model Plant Cell Model Minerals Collection Rock/Mineral Test Kit Rubber Stoppers Tubing Laser Pointer						
01-1100-5610-014 STC/Science Supplies	567.74	600.00	0.00	600.00	600.00	0.00
Notes: The Science and Technology for Children Program is a comprehensive inquiry-based curriculum that brings science and technology into students' everyday world. Using unit's rich w/ content, students investigate scientific concepts and phenomena firsthand, record & reflect on their observations, share their findings w/ classmates, & apply the skills and knowledge they have gained to new situations. STC is used in thousands of districts throughout the country & has been adopted in Strafford for grades 1 & 2. In grades 3 & 4 two units are used & are combined w/ the McGraw Hill Science Program. STC science is kit based & requires the purchase of consumable materials & refill packets annually. Weather Refurbishment Kit Life Cycle of a Butterfly Poster Organisms Refurbishment Kit Mystery Powders Classroom Kit Monarch Life Cycle Refurbishment Kits						

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)1-1100-5610-015 Social Studies Supplies:	1,157.80	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00

Notes: This line supports the school's social studies program at all levels including instructional resources and student materials. It also supports the seventh grade involvement in the EXCHANGE CITY program in Portsmouth, N.H. Exchange City is a hands-on learning program that combines an eight-week classroom curriculum with a state of the art interactive government and free enterprise laboratory located in Portsmouth. The Exchange City experience helps students learn and apply rigorous academic standards in math, civics, social studies, language arts and technology in real-life roles as citizens of their very own mini-town. This is Strafford's third year of participation in the program.

Exchange City Fees & Transportation Branches of Government Poster
How Big is Africa Poster Native Lands-Indians of North America
Washington DC Game Simple Machine Activity Book
Phases of the Moon Book 10 Days in Africa
Travel Australia Book The Egyptian Box
Children's HOMER The Iliad
Death of Lies: Socrates The Assassins of Rome
Timeline Levels 5-6 in Stone Bookroom Package
Timeline Level 6-7 Gladiator Bookroom Package
Cooperative Learning Activities in US History
Transparencies/Civil War Transparencies/Civil War II
Civil War Powerpoint The West Powerpoint
Rise of Industrial America American History on File
Holocaust: Kristallnacht to Liberation The Slave Trade and Its Abolition
Laminated World Map Laminated US Map

)1-1100-5610-016 Computer Supplies	8,615.39	6,200.00	0.00	6,200.00	6,200.00	0.00

Notes: This line supports the purchase of printer cartridges and ribbons, replacement cords, batteries, and other supplies associated with technology use throughout the building.
B & W Ink Cartridges Color Ink Cartridges Toner Cartridges Drum Replacements
Replace Various Cords Batteries for Laptops Misc. Parts

)1-1100-5610-081 Physical Education	966.90	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00

Notes: Assorted balls and game balls Volleyball Trainer
Poof Softball Stopwatch
Half-cone Storage Caddy Official Pinnies
Replacement Tube Tee Ankle Dangl
Rainbow High Density Fleece Balls Discs
Rubber Chickens Volleyball Net

)1-1100-5610-121 Music Supplies:	2,749.41	2,500.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	(500.00)

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Notes: This line supports the classroom music program for grade K-8. The classroom music program is built around the National Standards for Elementary and Middle School Music Education. Music Periodicals Acoustic Strings Classical Strings Midi Chords Piano Tuning Sheet Music As Needed Literature Organizer Guitar & Piano Music Books Music Tuner C H30S Soprano Recorders K-8 Music CDs (Subscription) Stereo Headphones ITunes Download Cards						
01-1100-5610-122 Instrumental Music & Choral Supplies:	2,342.31	1,800.00	0.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	0.00
Notes: Strafford School offers instrumental music instruction to interested students in grades 4-8. Enrollment in this program remains high. Beginning, intermediate, and advanced band experiences are offered as well as other specialty groups. Students are given small group and individual lessons before, during, and after school hours. Students perform for parents and the community several times during the school year. They also participate in regional music competitions and programs. This fall another 38 students signed up for instrumental lessons and band. It should be noted that instrumental music lessons and group practice all take place in a wooden modular with no provisions to accommodate a music program The work of the teacher, given these conditions, is commendable. This line supports the purchase of periodical, books, practice books, general supplies, incentives, reeds, instrument parts, instrument repairs, competition registrations, etc. Both the classroom and instrumental music program have expanded their use of technology to support classroom instruction, music composition, recording & editing, and performance support. Band Music Instrument Repair & Maintenance First Recital Series for All Instruments Instrumental Music Periodicals Music Incentives SMARTMUSIC Supplies 24 Compartment Literature Organizer Reeds/Various Sizes						
01-1100-5610-181 Consumable Supplies:	12,188.47	13,000.00	0.00	13,000.00	13,000.00	0.00
Notes: This line represents the cost of paper, pencils, paints, glue, staples, paper clips, and other supplies used by the staff to support instruction. These items are competitively bid through Seacoast Educational Services along with over 30 other area school districts. We are very conservative in our purchase of consumable materials. Costs increase an average of 3- 5% each year						
01-1100-5610-182 General Supplies:	3,336.77	3,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	(1,000.00)

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Notes: These supplies include materials to support instruction in all classrooms K-8. Sticker Incentives, Zaner Bloser Writing Folders, Folder Labels, School Bags, Welcome Bags, Make the Grade Pencils, Grade Specific Welcome Bookmarks, Wiggly Eyes, Craft Sticks, Pom-Poms Class Pack, Pipe Stems, Date Stamp, Shoelaces, Tagboard (size not available through Seacoast), Classroom carpet (replacements), ProClick Binding Spines, Velcro Sticky Back Coins, Cardstock Paper, Pink Cap Erasers, Markers						
01-1100-5610-184 AV Supplies	598.10	600.00	0.00	600.00	600.00	0.00
Notes: Most of these materials are purchased through the SES bidding process. Laminating Pouches, Transparency Film, Laminating Film, Audio Cassettes, DVD RW (10 Pack), Video Tapes, Batteries, Vis a Vis Whiteboard Pens & Supplies, Projection Bulbs						
01-1100-5610-185 Testing Supplies:	368.69	2,000.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	(500.00)
Notes: Expenditures in this area support materials and fees associated with testing and assessment. We conduct multiple assessments at every level to monitor students progress and to drive instruction. Assessments are also completed in conjunction with our core reading and math programs.The Brigance Assessment is used for screening incoming kindergarten students. Brigance Kindergarten Screening Kit, Various Reading Assessments, TREASURES ASSESSMENTS, Fluharty-2 Screening Forms						
01-1100-5640-002 Classroom Workbooks:	1,882.42	6,800.00	0.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	(2,800.00)
Notes: This line represents the replacement cost of consumable workbooks used in the school's reading math, and penmenship programs.						
01-1100-5640-003 Classroom Supplemental Books:	2,705.58	3,200.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	(1,200.00)

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Notes: This line represents the purchase of supplemental books both hardcover and paperback to support all core subject areas. Trade Books To Support All Curriculum Areas - All levels Additional Classroom Libraries to Support the Schools Reading Program Supplementary books are a critical component of our current reading program. They are used for small group instruction at the child's reading level. Current research supports the need for 80% of a child's reading to be at an independent level. That research also suggests that every child needs access to a quantity of books at their reading level. The purchases in this line will continue to update and add to the Scholastic trade book libraries in each classroom. Funds will also support the purchase of classroom sets of fiction and non-fiction literature for use in middle school language arts classes as well as classroom libraries associated with TREASURES, the school's core reading program.						
01-1100-5640-004 Classroom Reference Books:	769.10	600.00	0.00	600.00	600.00	0.00
Notes: Books in this line are used for reference purposes at the classroom level in all core subject areas.						
01-1100-5640-011 Textbook Adoption	68,972.17	25,000.00	0.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00
Notes: Over the past two years Strafford School has adopted a new core reading program (TREASURES) and has purchased the newly revised SAXON Math program for grades K-8. The next core curriculum area being revised is science. Strafford School is joining with Northwood and Nottingham School in considering program adjustments, modifications, and materials adoption in this area.						
01-1100-5640-012 Classroom Texts	3,954.06	4,000.00	0.00	5,500.00	5,500.00	1,500.00
Notes: This line represents the cost of replacement SAXON materials (consumable at the K-3 level). SAXON Math Student Refills K-3 Texts for Increased Enrollment Replacement Texts As Needed						
01-1100-5641-005 Classroom Periodicals:	927.34	1,200.00	0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
Notes: This line supports annual subscriptions to classroom reading, science, and news periodicals like Weekly Reader and Scholastic News. This line supports subscriptions to Scholastic News, Lets Find Out, Weekly Reader and other student magazines for primary and upper grade students.						
01-1100-5733-001 New Equipment:	9,690.08	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
01-1100-5733-002 New Furniture:	500.00	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
Notes: General use tables.						
01-1100-5733-012 Science Equipment	708.95	750.00	0.00	750.00	750.00	0.00

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Notes: This line supports the purchase of lab and other science related equipment to support the schools science programming and the cost of replacing glassware and other equipment that is broken throughout the year. These funds support Strafford's science program and include such items as microscopes, glassware, balances, weights, electrical supplies, measuring resources, safety goggles, scales, molecular study supplies, magnifiers, magnets, earth science supplies, landform models, contour mapping materials, soil and water testing supplies, and other similar equipment and supplies						
01-1100-5734-000 Computer Technology Equipment:	46,163.23	22,000.00	0.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	0.00
Notes: Strafford School has a technology plan that provides for the periodic upgrading and replacement of the schools technology equipment as well as the purchase of new equipment to support and enhance the curriculum. Multimedia Projector Laptop Batteries Replacement Flat Panel Monitors Replacement Printers SMARTBOARD Speakers 25 Computers Assorted Replacement Parts						
01-1100-5810-000 Dues and Fees	1,061.92	1,200.00	0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
Notes: Registration fees for music & other competitions involving students or student groups. Registration for the spelling and geography bee and other competitions the school chooses to participate in.						
TOTAL REGULAR EDUCATION	**$5,371,369.17**	**$5,925,003.00**	**$2,336,724.33**	**$3,505,066.14**	**$5,841,790.47**	**$(83,212.53)**
Special Instructional Programs						
01-1200-5110-020 Special Education Teacher Salaries:	242,337.23	286,893.00	271,702.00	0.00	271,702.00	(15,191.00)

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Notes: There are FIVE (5) special education teachers and one program coordinator who work out of three resource rooms within the school (one at the primary, one at the elementary and one at the middle school level) and two small rooms in the annex modular unit. Our special education teachers administer support to the special needs of children in grades kindergarten through 8 and, in addition to carrying a full teaching load, act as consultants for classroom and specials teachers at those grades. Our resource room teachers also work closely with paraprofessionals to direct and monitor implementation of highly specialized programs for children who might otherwise attend self-contained classrooms located outside of Strafford, at increased costs. Our special education coordinator is responsible for supervising all special education services provided in the building ensuring that all State of N.H. and Federal special education protocols, laws, and regulations are followed, timelines are met, programs are delivered efficiently and effectively, and student progress is assessed and analyzed consistently to determine program effectiveness. In addition, this person assists with assessments, provides in house training to staff, serves as a liaison between the district and the SAU Director of Special Education, meets regularly with staff and with parents, reviews and writes curriculum, conducts ongoing program evaluations, and performs a number of other critical special education tasks.
There are currently 80 plus students, at the Strafford School, who have IEPs (individual educational plans). These numbers change frequently as students move in and out. A similar number is projected for the 2009-2010 school year, including youngsters who are already receiving services as preschoolers. Although the overall population of the school has dropped, the number of students who qualify for special education services remains stable.
Special education teachers are responsible for completing all paperwork and administering and interpreting most testing and evaluation required by State of N.H. and Federal law.
It should be noted that 35+ identified special needs students also require the services of Speech and Language Pathologists. (Those services are described later on in this budget in section #2150 Speech Services.)

01-1200-5110-040 Special Ed. Paraprofessional Salaries:	292,363.82	328,175.35	320,632.70	0.00	320,632.70	(7,542.65)

Notes: Eighteen full time and one part time special education paraprofessionals provide instructional assistance to identified special needs students. Each special education paraprofessional is assigned to one of our resource room teachers for direction and supervision. The paraprofessionals divide their time between in-class assistance and co-teaching in the resource room. They assist in meeting the requirements of each child's Individual Educational Plan (IEP). In some cases, paraprofessionals assist in providing an alternative to an out-of-district placement in a self-contained classroom. Some paraprofessionals are assigned to specific children with severe disabilities, allowing those children to be included in the public school program.

01-1200-5110-050 Special Education Secretary:	21,232.08	20,140.00	20,744.20	0.00	20,744.20	604.20

Notes: This position provides clerical support to the special education department including, but not limited to: maintenance of student files; preparation of local, state, and federal SPED paperwork; scheduling; and data input and management. Other responsibilities include communication with administration, the SAU Special Ed. Office, staff, parents, and students. This person also develops and prints various forms, publications, and notifications; coordinates budgets; distributes mail; maintains records and develops required State and Federal reports. This person also coordinates the use of the school's new technology based case management software (Case-c).

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01-1200-5120-020 Substitute Spe Ed Teacher Salaries:	7,726.72	7,000.00	0.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	1,000.00
Notes: This line supports the hiring of substitutes for special education staff as necessary.						
01-1200-5120-201 Substitute Aide Salaries	5,725.58	3,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	2,000.00
01-1200-5120-202 Spec Educ Ext Yr. Program K-8	13,450.00	12,000.00	0.00	13,500.00	13,500.00	1,500.00
Notes: This line supports summer programming for students needing extended school year intervention as mandated by Federal law.						
01-1200-5120-203 Spec Educ Ext Yr. Program 9-12	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Notes: This line supports summer programming for students needing extended school year intervention as mandated by Federal law.						
01-1200-5121-020 Special Education Tutor Salaries:	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Notes: Tutoring is primarily provided at the high school level for special needs students in core subject areas or for those who are unable to attend high school classes. Tutors are also provided to students who cannot attend school due to long term illness or injury.						
01-1200-5211-000 Health Insurance (Cert.and Non-Certified	165,921.01	204,627.22	229,565.61	0.00	229,565.61	24,938.39
01-1200-5212-000 Dental Insurance: (Cert.and Non-Certifi	1,811.78	2,548.50	2,748.72	0.00	2,748.72	200.22
01-1200-5213-000 Life Insurance:	378.00	501.60	0.00	501.60	501.60	0.00
01-1200-5219-000 Buy-Out	9,500.00	9,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	1,000.00
01-1200-5219-020 Buy-Out (Certified)	2,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00
01-1200-5220-000 F.I.C.A.:	41,716.72	49,740.94	46,900.50	0.00	46,900.50	(2,840.44)
01-1200-5231-000 Retirement (Non-Certified Staff):	26,912.15	18,782.30	29,636.78	0.00	29,636.78	10,854.48
01-1200-5232-000 Retirement (Certified Staff):	14,228.81	16,755.79	18,910.32	0.00	18,910.32	2,154.53
01-1200-5250-000 Unemployment Compensation	920.00	1,005.00	0.00	1,430.00	1,430.00	425.00
01-1200-5260-000 Worker's Compensation	4,506.49	3,100.00	0.00	2,463.24	2,463.24	(636.76)
01-1200-5300-001 Contracted Service Evaluation	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,162.28	1,162.28	1,162.28
01-1200-5310-000 Contracted Services:Medicaid Admin Fees	6,135.83	9,000.00	0.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	0.00
Notes: The contracted percentage for Medicaid administration is 10%. The District is anticipating $90,000.00 in Medicaid revenue, thus the $9,000.00 admin fee.						
01-1200-5430-000 Repairs and Maintenance:	737.90	250.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	750.00
Notes: Repairs to AV, recording, copying, adaptive, and other equipment used to support special needs students. The significant increase in this line is due to the ongoing repair needs of hearing equipment/devices/systems used by hearing impaired students attending the school. This equipment is complex and fragile and repairs are costly.						

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01-1200-5550-000 Printing	45.33	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
01-1200-5561-000 Spe Ed Tuition-Other Public Schools:	0.00	10,891.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	(891.00)

Notes: This line is budgeted in anticipation of possible special ed placements in public schools other than Coe- Brown.

01-1200-5563-000 Spe Ed Tuition-Coe Brown:	389,890.08	307,429.00	0.00	334,972.00	334,972.00	27,543.00

Notes: Projected 37 students at Coe-Brown receiving Special Education Services:
Skills Rate $18908. (8.51%) less the regular tuition rate of $12.152.. This amount increases by $85,000. to include Para-professionals or assistants needed to support the education of high school special needs students.

01-1200-5569-000 Spe Ed Tuition-Non-Public Schools:	479,178.70	664,835.00	0.00	476,171.14	476,171.14	(188,663.86)

Notes: This line reflects the costs of special education placements outside the regular public school settings.
Students eligible for services include students between the ages of 3 through 21. Placements include the SAU # 44 Pre-School Program, as well as out of district private special education schools. This line also includes extended school year programs involved with the students placed in these programs. Out of district placements are difficult to foresee, as the districts are responsible for placing the students in the least restrictive environment. These placements are based on the individual needs of students and are determined through the special education process. Some of these placements include court mandates and are therefore, out of the control of the district's placement team.
Individual education plans follow students from district to district. Therefore, if a student arrives in Strafford with an individual education plan, the team at the Strafford School has to uphold that plan. The student's plan and program may involve a more specialized placement, which the district must adhere to.
Projected Enrollment:
9 SAU #44 Preschool $154,854.47 = 1/3 budget
6 SAU #44 Preschool Summer $ 12,000.00
4 Out of District Placements $268,142.18
Contracted Speech Services $24,624.49
Summer Programs $14,000.00
Contracted Deaf Education $ 2,550.00

01-1200-5610-005 Lang Arts-Reading Supplies:	1,158.48	2,500.00	0.00	800.00	800.00	(1,700.00)

Notes: Ongoing assessments in this area have indicated a need for consistent, intense, and scripted programming for students in special education. Several specialized programs are used including LANGUAGE, SRA, the LIPS program and the TRIUMPHS program which is correlated with the newly adopted TREASURES program. This program follows the same themes as TREASURES but at a lower reading lexile.
Grade K-4 Triumphs Practice Books and Consumable Materials
SRA Spelling Consumable Materials

01-1200-5610-011 Math Supplies:	82.71	1,800.00	0.00	800.00	800.00	(1,000.00)

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Notes: The program TOUCH MATH is used extensively throughout the grades to help students increase their math proficiencies. The increase in this line represents the purchase of TouchMath materials and SAXON consumable materials. Touch Numerals; Desktop Number lines; TouchMath Reversible Addition Flashcards; SAXON 4Power Up Workbooks; SRA Replacement Workbooks and Resources; TouchMath Mini Poster Set; TouchMath Touch Lines; TouchMath Hundreds Line						
01-1200-5610-016 Computer Supplies:	113.99	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
Notes: Printer Cartridges B&W and Color						
01-1200-5610-181 Consumable Supplies:	994.47	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
Notes: Special Markers, Papers, pencils, and Notebooks Specific to Special Education. Also lapboards EZ Focus Frames, Student Dry Erase Boards, Magnetic Pocket Chart, etc.						
01-1200-5610-182 General Supplies:	7.69	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-1200-5610-183 Office Supplies	1,449.41	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
Notes: General office supplies specific to the special education office. Special files needed to maintain special education student files and file coding supplies are an example.						
01-1200-5610-185 Testing Supplies:	1,290.80	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Notes: The areas of testing are achievement/academic, perceptual, fine and gross motor skills, speech, language and learning disabilities. This price includes reporting and recording forms, test updates, student response books, written expression response booklets, test records, and scoring software.						
01-1200-5610-194 OT Supplies	273.74	400.00	0.00	400.00	400.00	0.00
Notes: This line supports Occupational Therapy Services at Strafford School for equipment and supplies used in the building. Inside Out Ball; Combined Pop Bead Set; Correcting Reversals; Squeeze Blaster Target; Motor Supplements (25 pack); Early Visual Skills; Disc Cushion by AeroMat; Pegboard Set; VMI Short Form; Inflatable Rainbow; Beach Balls; Craft Glue Dots; Mesh Covered Mini Squishy Balls						
01-1200-5640-001 Spe Ed Classroom Textbooks:	1,681.65	300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
Notes: TRIUMPHS Teacher's Editions & Textbooks, etc.						
01-1200-5640-002 Spe Ed Classroom Workbooks:	744.28	200.00	0.00	2,300.00	2,300.00	2,100.00
Notes: This line represents the purchase of consumable workbooks to support the LANGUAGE, SRA, REAL MATH, LIPS, TRIUMPHS, TOUCHMATH and other specialized programs used in special education. The increase in this line is due to a diminished inventory of these materials.						
01-1200-5640-003 Spe Ed Classroom Supplemental Textbooks:	947.75	1,200.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	(700.00)

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Notes: Curriculum connected trade books for various grade levels lexiled for differentiated instruction.						
01-1200-5640-005 Classroom Periodicals:	95.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-1200-5733-001 New Equipment:	6,995.85	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(500.00)
01-1200-5733-002 New Furniture:	247.64	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Notes: KYDZ Activity Tables "30" X "48" & "24" X "48"						
01-1200-5737-001 Replacement of Equipment:	0.00	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
Notes: Anticipated Replacement of Equipment						
01-1200-5737-002 Replacement of Furniture:	0.00	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
Notes: Anticipated Replacement of Furniture						
01-1200-5810-000 Dues and Fees	125.00	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
Notes: Membership in two special education organizations with accompanying journals						
TOTAL SPEC ED INSTRUCTION	**$1,742,927.07**	**$1,970,524.70**	**$940,840.83**	**$887,750.26**	**$1,828,591.09**	**$(141,933.61)**
Co-Curricular Programs						
01-1410-5110-002 Enrichment:	600.00	2,800.00	0.00	2,800.00	2,800.00	0.00
Notes: Some of the costs represented in this line are stipend salaries for coaching and other special programs negotiated by the Strafford School Board and the Strafford Education Association. Other represents the cost of special assemblies and presentations provided for K-8 throughout the year. -visiting artists/authors -Teen Institute Advisor -Robotics Coach						
01-1410-5110-003 Co-Curricular:	2,800.00	3,300.00	0.00	3,300.00	3,300.00	0.00
Notes: -kindergarten screening coordinator -Destination Imagination coordinator -Destination Imagination Coaching Stipends (5 Teams X $200) -student council advisor						
01-1410-5110-004 Extra Curricular:	2,900.00	2,900.00	0.00	2,900.00	2,900.00	0.00
Notes: -drama coach -yearbook advisor -Eighth grade advisor						
01-1410-5110-006 Substitute Stipend	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
Notes: This stipend is paid to the individual responsible for securing substitutes for all staff throughout the school year. Responsibilities have increased substantially due to an increase in staff and a shortage of substitutes.						
01-1410-5110-007 Environmental School Chaperones	2,175.00	2,400.00	0.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	0.00
Notes: $75.00 per day for four days for 8 chaperones						
01-1410-5110-090 Tutoring for At Risk Students	1,762.50	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00

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Notes: This line supports an after school supplementary programming for failing students two afternoons a week for as long as necessary. This includes transportation home for participants. This program is offered only when all other interventions have failed.						
01-1410-5220-000 FICA	974.51	2,264.40	0.00	2,264.40	2,264.40	0.00
01-1410-5231-000 NHRS E ER	277.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-1410-5232-000 NHRS T ER	678.78	1,165.40	0.00	1,165.40	1,165.40	0.00
01-1410-5500-000 Contracted Services-Special Events:	3,300.00	2,800.00	0.00	2,800.00	2,800.00	0.00
Notes: These lines represent registration and service fees, materials and equipment and other resources to support assemblies, special presentations, and other expenses associated with extra-curricular activities, assemblies, etc. -special programs & presentations -assemblies -Guest speakers -Browne Center or Equivalent Adventure Program (Physical Education)						
01-1410-5580-000 Travel Expenses Special Events	437.84	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
Notes: Travel expenses for transporting students, equipment, and materials to music competitions, Destination Imagination regional and state finals, and other similar events.						
01-1410-5610-201 Co-Curricula Supplies:	1,443.87	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Notes: Supplies to support in school and after school programs and special activities. These programs change from year to year.						
01-1410-5610-202 Enrichment Supplies:	919.29	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Notes: This line supports the purchase of equipment, materials, and other resources to support Strafford's Destination Imagination Program (formerly OM), literacy presentations, and other special presentations and programs.						
01-1410-5810-000 Dues and Fees:	320.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Notes: -Southeast League Membership -Destination Imagination Registration Fees -Tournament Registration Fees						
01-1420-5110-000 Athletic:	9,000.00	9,000.00	0.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	0.00
Notes: -soccer -cross-country -basketball -athletic director -baseball -softball						
01-1420-5220-000 FICA	746.54	736.20	0.00	736.20	736.20	0.00
01-1420-5232-000 NHRS ER	371.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-1420-5430-000 Repairs and Maintenance:	238.81	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
Notes: -athletic and other equipment maintenance & repairs						
01-1420-5500-001 Officials-Umpires-Referees:	2,450.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Notes: -all athletic home games -($50) for 1 ref, ($40) per person if there are 2 -home plate umpire ($60)-base umpires ($40)-single umpire ($75) -scoreboard operator ($15 per game)						
01-1420-5500-002 Scoreboard	250.00	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00

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Notes: This covers any necessary repairs to the school's electronic scoreboards.						
01-1420-5610-008 Athletic Supplies:	1,872.81	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
Notes: Replacement uniforms game balls baseballs bats playground balls trophies/awards score books						
01-1430-5110-000 Summer School: Literacy Connection Proje	7,468.68	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
Notes: This program is an integrated language program for 25-30 students entering first, second or third grade. Initially funded by a grant, Strafford School has offered this exciting experience for the past several years during the month of July. This language-based program provides each student daily language experiences and literacy opportunities. These experiences include: inquiry activities (first-hand experiences, discussion, problem-solving); shared reading and writing (chart development, test analysis, group reading/rereading); independent writing (drawing and writing, personal conference); and independent reading (self-selection, reading and reading like behavior, personal conferences). It also provides opportunities for reading aloud and response (listening and responding to literature, participation during reading); and for sharing (oral presentation during reading). This integrated language model utilizes large group and cooperative learning group format. In addition, children are divided for small group instruction utilizing a modified Reading Recovery model. Each daily session includes re-reading of familiar text and introduction and practice with new text, work analysis activities, and writing a story. A program library exists consisting of literature consistent with early literacy theory (focus on meaning, facilitation of integration or reading, writing, speaking and listening, use of predictable and natural language). Students bring home books every day to share with their parents. This component of the program is discussed in detail with parents at a parent meeting held prior to the first session. A children's book author visits the program and a final celebration of student work is held for students and parents the final week of the project. Two early childhood teachers, an aide, and a speech and language therapist will constitute the staff. This team will provide students with an integrated language arts program designed to facilitate further development of reading, writing, speaking and listening skills. The project will meet four days a week from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. for a four-week period in July.						
01-1430-5110-001 Summer Tutoring - Middle School	3,600.00	7,500.00	0.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	0.00
Notes: This expenditure pays for staff to provide summer tutoring in small groups in reading and math as recommended. Staff works in small groups several times per week for four weeks to help students maintain and strengthen skill in math and reading. This program was previously funded by a Title IIA grant no longer available to the school.						
01-1430-5220-000 F.I.C.A	717.39	504.90	0.00	504.90	504.90	0.00
01-1430-5231-000 NHRS EE ER	102.92	87.40	0.00	87.40	87.40	0.00
01-1430-5232-000 NHRS T ER	475.60	324.80	0.00	324.80	324.80	0.00
TOTAL CO-CURRICULAR	**$48,383.80**	**$62,483.10**	**$0.00**	**$62,483.10**	**$62,483.10**	**$0.00**

Attendance

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01-2112-5110-000 Truant Officer - stipend:	500.00	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
Notes: The Truant Officer investigates school attendance residency issues at the elementary, middle school, and high school level on behalf of the school district.						
01-2112-5220-000 FICA	38.25	38.25	0.00	38.25	38.25	0.00
01-2112-5231-000 Retirement (non-cert)	43.70	43.70	0.00	43.70	43.70	0.00
TOTAL ATTENDANCE	$581.95	$581.95	$0.00	$581.95	$581.95	$0.00
Guidance Services						
01-2120-5110-000 Guidance Salaries -	88,550.98	91,903.00	91,703.00	0.00	91,703.00	(200.00)
Notes: The budgeted amount is for one full time and one part time (3days a week) counselor. The Guidance Counselors provide direct individual counseling to students requiring services. They also provide preventative counseling to small groups, work closely with parents, provide consultation to teachers, act as a liaison between the principal and teachers, and provide crisis intervention to all students on an as needed basis. They also assume administrative responsibility including the responsibility of contributing too many special education meetings, classroom modification meetings, and middle school meetings, etc. Counselors coordinate the Peer Helper Program, 504 intervention, the Here's Looking at You Drug Intervention Program, the Johns Hopkins Talent Search, parent information workshops, and the "Welcome" program for new Strafford School students. They also assist the principal with students having adjustment difficulties.						
01-2120-5211-000 Health Insurance: Certified	11,274.68	11,185.90	12,481.78	0.00	12,481.78	1,295.88
01-2120-5212-000 Dental Insurance: Certified	692.56	677.80	733.12	0.00	733.12	55.32
01-2120-5213-000 Life Insurance:	151.20	167.20	0.00	167.20	167.20	0.00
01-2120-5220-000 F.I.C.A.:	6,490.27	7,030.58	7,015.27	0.00	7,015.27	(15.31)
01-2120-5232-000 Retirement (Certified):	3,177.98	3,289.24	3,947.06	0.00	3,947.06	657.82
01-2120-5250-000 Unemployment Comp	80.00	80.00	0.00	110.00	110.00	30.00
01-2120-5260-000 Worker's Comp	476.88	480.00	0.00	205.48	205.48	(274.52)
01-2120-5330-000 Standardized Testing	4,900.00	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
Notes: This amount represents the cost of administering and scoring annual MAP (Measure of Academic Progress) and other similar testing for grade levels 2-8.						
01-2120-5610-000 Guidance Supplies:	0.00	200.00	0.00	300.00	300.00	100.00
Notes: Supplies to Support Guidance Groups and Activities						
01-2120-5610-018 AV Supplies	81.97	250.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	(150.00)
01-2120-5640-000 Guidance Books:	0.00	350.00	0.00	350.00	350.00	0.00

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Notes: Books for students on issues related to growing up, divorce, development, peer relationships, bullying, substance abuse, etc.						
01-2120-5810-000 Guidance Dues and Fees:	500.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Notes: Teen Institute Peer Mediation Workshops for Students including "Leaders in Prevention." Other presentations by SASS (Sexual Assault Services) and NO MORE SECRETS to all grade levels include good touch/bad touch, personal body safety, decision making, media influence on decisions, healthy relationships, problem solving, etc. Fees in this line also support peer presentations on substance abuse and good decision making by the Dover Youth to Youth Program						
TOTAL GUIDANCE	$116,376.52	$121,613.72	$115,880.23	$7,232.68	$123,112.91	$1,499.19
Health Services						
01-2130-5110-020 Nurse's Salary:	43,437.98	46,067.00	46,067.00	0.00	46,067.00	0.00
Notes: Full-time coverage for all students and employees including daily health care, conducting examinations, maintaining records, preparing reports, conducting a variety of screenings, emergency intervention, health education, budget development and management, policy development, coordination with outside health agencies, communicating with parents, etc.						
01-2130-5110-203 Part time Nurse	15,376.20	17,540.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(17,540.00)
Notes: The volume of students seen and screened through the health office continues to grow. The emphasis on childhood health issues has brought new regulations and new laws that require intervention by our school health officials. New regulations regarding the maintenance and reporting of school health statistics have also contributed to the increased workload in the health office. These and other responsibilities have been driven in part by the alarming increase in student illnesses and the threat of airborne and insect driven diseases. The part time nurse assists the full time school nurse in carrying out and completing her responsibilities.						
01-2130-5120-000 Substitute Nurse's Salary:	150.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Notes: Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, dispensing medicines, monitoring students with childhood diabetes and other chronic diseases, providing medical intervention for multi-handicapped students requiring assistance such as tube feeding, handling medical emergencies, communicating with parents, providing general first aid, maintaining medical records, etc. These responsibilities are provided daily for a population of adults and children. This represents a significant responsibility for any individual who fills this position. Substitute nurses receive $100.00 a day for their services.						
01-2130-5213-000 Life Insurance:	75.60	83.60	0.00	83.60	83.60	0.00
01-2130-5219-000 Buy-Out	1,400.00	1,400.00	0.00	1,400.00	1,400.00	0.00
01-2130-5220-000 F.I.C.A.	4,617.95	4,942.44	3,524.12	0.00	3,524.12	(1,418.32)
01-2130-5232-000 Retirement: (Certified)	2,577.40	2,729.89	3,206.32	0.00	3,206.32	476.43
01-2130-5250-000 Unemployment Comp	80.00	80.00	0.00	110.00	110.00	30.00

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01-2130-5260-000 Worker's Comp	323.76	328.00	0.00	189.48	189.48	(138.52)
01-2130-5300-000 Contracted Services-Staff Physicals:	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
Notes: New employees are required to have a staff physical prior to being accepted for employment.						
01-2130-5400-000 Contracted Services:	698.40	300.00	0.00	785.00	785.00	485.00
Notes: Scale and audiometer calibration						
01-2130-5430-000 Repairs and Maintenance-Nurse:	0.00	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
Notes: Repairs to health office medical equipment						
01-2130-5580-000 Travel Expenses-Nurse:	0.00	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
Notes: Transportation of students when ill, injured, or, where appropriate, in the case of an emergency. Also included in this line are home visits or consultations as necessary.						
01-2130-5600-000 Health Supplies-Nurse:	708.68	1,300.00	0.00	1,300.00	1,300.00	0.00
Notes: Many health supplies are put out to bid through Seacoast Educational Services allowing us to access lower prices through group buying. Seacoast medical supplies Assorted medical supplies from other vendors CPR/FIRST AID teaching supplies Examples: Throat Spray; Accu-Chek Strips; contact lens cases; penlights; mobile first aid supplies (field trips; sports kits; emergency intervention) ibuprofen; Orison; Derma Lube Lotion; Ketostix; Belix Oral Solution; cold & heat compresses; bandages; medical tape; paper cups; antiseptics; sterile bandages; eye wash; lice combs; glucose gel; bee sting swabs; rubber gloves; digital thermometers; splints; airway kits; fan; rescue response bag; phone center card file; etc.						
01-2130-5641-000 Health Periodicals-Nurse:	245.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-2130-5650-000 Computer Supplies	250.00	200.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	(100.00)
Notes: Support contract for Health Office Administrative Software						
01-2130-5733-001 New Equipment:	1,000.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-2130-5810-000 Dues and Fees:	60.00	150.00	0.00	150.00	150.00	0.00
TOTAL HEALTH	**$71,001.32**	**$76,520.93**	**$52,797.44**	**$5,518.08**	**$58,315.52**	**$(18,205.41)**
Special Contracted Services						
01-2140-5310-005 Contracted Service-ESOL	5,618.21	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00

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Notes: (English As An Other Language) The ESOL teacher provides individual services and consults with staff that have ESOL students in their classes. These services are not considered special education but are mandated by law. These services are delivered on a one on one basis and focus on helping students understand and interpret the English language. The number of children requiring this service varies from year to year						
01-2140-5310-006 Contrctd Serv - Hearing/Vision Impaired	4,740.89	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00
Notes: This teacher provides weekly services to hearing impaired or deaf students attending Strafford School. Currently consultation is up to 10 hours per week. This position is shared with other District schools in the SAU. This line also represents the costs associated with vision consultation.						
01-2140-5330-000 Pre-School Diagnostic Unit:	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Notes: Services provided for Strafford pre-school children referred to the child-find for testing. (Children serviced under this program are ages 3 through 5.)						
01-2162-5323-000 Contracted Physical Therapy:	10,267.14	21,530.45	0.00	25,264.53	25,264.53	3,734.08
Notes: Physical therapy is the treatment of disease or disability through regulated exercise by physical and mechanical means. Services are contracted through the Strafford Learning Center and are generally provided to students with severe physical disabilities. Services are estimated at $58.41 per hour for 200 hours						
01-2163-5323-000 Contracted Occupational Therapy:	37,239.99	37,119.29	0.00	41,832.04	41,832.04	4,712.75
Notes: Occupational therapy is intervention by means of mental or physical activity to promote the recovery or rehabilitation following a serious disease or as a result of injury or delayed development. These services are contracted through the SAU for those students requiring physical therapy training as a part of their IEP (Individualized Education Plan) program. Currently, therapy services are provided 4 days weekly.						
01-2190-5323-000 Strafford Learning Center Membership:	5,437.23	5,318.60	0.00	5,968.20	5,968.20	649.60
Notes: This is the basic membership fee that entitles Strafford School to services at a 15% reduction and is based on the number of students in district which varies from year to year.						
TOTAL CONTRACTED SERVICES	**$63,303.46**	**$76,968.34**	**$0.00**	**$86,064.77**	**$86,064.77**	**$9,096.43**
Speech Services						
01-2150-5110-020 Speech Salary:	0.00	100,261.00	81,102.00	0.00	81,102.00	(19,159.00)
Notes: Strafford School has two full time speech and language pathologists on staff covering all levels K-8. They are assisted by a speech and language assistant. They provide services for up to 50 students although numbers vary slightly year to year. Despite a stable population, the number of students entering Strafford School with speech and language deficits climbs. This is a reflection of increases seen throughout the country.						
01-2150-5110-040 Speech Assistants	32,231.81	42,532.00	21,403.20	0.00	21,403.20	(21,128.80)
01-2150-5110-202 Speech Pathologist	49,214.98	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-2150-5211-000 Health Insurance: (Cert.and Non-Certific	21,217.22	20,674.50	23,006.62	0.00	23,006.62	2,332.12

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01-2150-5212-000 Dental Insurance: (Cert.and Non-Certifie	432.42	849.50	916.24	0.00	916.24	66.74
01-2150-5213-000 Life Insurance:	75.60	167.20	0.00	167.20	167.20	0.00
01-2150-5219-000 Buy-Out	1,500.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
01-2150-5220-000 F.I.C.A.:	5,915.09	10,950.47	7,841.66	0.00	7,841.66	(3,108.81)
01-2150-5231-000 Retirement Non Certified	2,948.21	3,739.18	1,945.46	0.00	1,945.46	(1,793.72)
01-2150-5232-000 Retirement Certified:	2,854.41	5,820.93	5,644.60	0.00	5,644.60	(176.33)
01-2150-5250-000 Unemployment Comp	160.00	160.00	0.00	165.00	165.00	5.00
01-2150-5260-000 Worker's Comp	742.53	758.00	0.00	284.22	284.22	(473.78)
01-2150-5310-203 Speech Services High School	9,395.18	23,258.45	0.00	24,624.49	24,624.49	1,366.04
01-2150-5610-001 Speech Supplies:	464.32	400.00	0.00	400.00	400.00	0.00
Notes: Program incentives, student books, and supplies to support speech & language (stickers, pencils, papers, certificates, etc.) plus audio tapes and specialized batteries.						
01-2150-5610-002 Speech Testing Supplies:	873.82	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Notes: This line represents the purchase of speech & language testing supplies including response booklets, examiners forms, rating forms, reference forms, replacement test booklets, administration manuals, norms sheets, etc.						
01-2150-5630-000 Speech Books	169.24	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
Notes: 18 Famous People Who Stutter Autism Spectrum & Stuttering Note to the Teacher Stuttering & Tourettes Syndrome Cluttering: Some Guidelines Downs Syndrome & Stuttering Stuttering and Your Child Sometime I Just Stutter						
01-2150-5733-001 Speech New Equipment:	0.00	500.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	(400.00)
TOTAL SPEECH	**$128,194.83**	**$212,771.23**	**$141,859.78**	**$28,440.91**	**$170,300.69**	**$(42,470.54)**
Improvement of Instruction						
01-2210-5112-001 Curriculum Development/Revision:	110.00	8,000.00	0.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00
Notes: This line supports staff training and curriculum development and revision initiatives within the school and within SAU #44. A key component of No Child Left Behind and the school improvement process is ongoing staff training. Professional growth activities are offered throughout each school year to staff on teacher workshop days, specialized training days, and before and after school. Stafford School is currently working on curriculum and instruction in math and science in accordance with State of N.H.Curriculum Frameworks and Grade Level Expectations. In addition to the above, the analysis of assessment results to determine student need and to drive instruction is ongoing and is an integral component of the professional development agenda. Staff at all levels is actively involved in this process.						
01-2210-5112-002 Summer Curriculum Work	80.00	8,000.00	0.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00

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Notes: In addition to training throughout the years, a 3-5 day summer professional growth institute for teachers is held each year. This institute, held after the regular school year is over, provides training in a variety of core subject areas, and allows time for curriculum development. The institute is voluntary and is open to all school staff. Funds in this line pay for expenses associated with this training institute (consultants, trainers, supplies, printing, stipends, etc.).						
01-2210-5220-000 FICA	167.55	1,224.00	0.00	1,224.00	1,224.00	0.00
01-2210-5231-000 Retirement Para	43.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-2210-5232-000 Retirement	98.02	928.00	0.00	928.00	928.00	0.00
01-2210-5319-001 Staff Development Stipend:	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Notes: This stipend supports the position Staff Development Coordinator for the district. The teacher in this position handles all required record keeping for certified staff members in accordance with the school district's staff development master plan. The staff development representative serves on the SAU Staff Development Committee.						
01-2210-5319-002 Teacher Recognition Stipends:	1,065.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Notes: This school board supported program recognizes and rewards those teachers who are retiring from the district after many years of service.						
01-2210-5319-003 Para Development Stipend	500.00	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
Notes: This stipend supports the position of Para Staff Development coordinator, similar to the staff development coordinator for teachers described above. This person serves on the SAU Staff Development Committee and handles all required record keeping for paraprofessionals in accordance with the school district staff development master plan						
01-2210-5610-000 Teacher Assessment - NCLB	230.42	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
01-2210-5640-001 Professional Books:	923.67	1,800.00	0.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	0.00
Notes: This item is for the purchase of professional books covering topics related to current educational issues, and for the purchase of professional periodicals such as Kappan Magazine, Creative Classroom, Book links, Middle School Journal, Educational Week, Educational Leadership, etc.						
01-2213-5240-020 Course Tuition Reimbursement:	8,379.50	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00
Notes: This represents a contracted benefit that provides reimbursement of tuition fees for graduate level course work as required by administration, or for re-certification purposes.						
01-2213-5240-040 Tuition (Support Staff):	2,056.00	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
Notes: This represents a contracted benefit for all staff not included in the teacher's master contract.						
01-2213-5322-001 In-Service Training:	600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-2213-5322-002 Staff Development Workshops:	(2,690.72)	11,000.00	0.00	11,000.00	11,000.00	0.00
Notes: This contracted benefit provides funds for teachers to attend workshops related to their classroom responsibilities.						

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01-2213-5322-003 SAU Wide Curriculum & Policy Development	23.67	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
Notes: The Strafford School District frequently works with the other schools in the SAU (Northwood/Nottingham) on various projects including curriculum development, professional growth programming, SAU wide teacher training opportunities, evaluation, etc. These funds provide support for these projects and programs.						
01-2213-5322-004 Workshops (Support Staff):	2,775.00	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
Notes: These funds support professional growth activities for the administration, the bookkeeper, the clerical staff, and for the custodial staff. Some of this activity is contractual.						
TOTAL IMPROVE. OF INSTRUCTION	**$15,861.81**	**$63,952.00**	**$0.00**	**$63,952.00**	**$63,952.00**	**$0.00**
Library & Educational Media						
01-2220-5110-020 Librarian-Salary:	48,935.98	52,868.00	52,868.00	0.00	52,868.00	0.00
Notes: This position oversees all media material, including video, audio, reference books, literature, and all genres required by state standards for grades K-8. The position assists classroom teachers in cross-curricular support and planning. Instruction is provided at all student levels in research techniques						
01-2220-5110-040 Librarian Aide-Salary:	14,842.10	15,670.20	15,670.20	0.00	15,670.20	0.00
01-2220-5120-020 Librarian Substitute-Salary:	980.00	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
01-2220-5211-000 Health Insurance : (Cert.& Non-Certified	21,725.38	26,990.08	30,132.98	0.00	30,132.98	3,142.90
01-2220-5212-000 Dental Insurance: (Cert.and Non-Certifie	432.42	424.75	458.12	0.00	458.12	33.37
01-2220-5213-000 Life Insurance:	75.60	83.60	0.00	83.60	83.60	0.00
01-2220-5220-000 F.I.C.A.:	4,565.86	5,319.67	5,243.18	0.00	5,243.18	(76.49)
01-2220-5231-000 Retirement-Non-Certified:	1,297.12	908.87	1,424.50	0.00	1,424.50	515.63
01-2220-5232-000 Retirement-Certified:	2,838.24	3,124.34	3,679.52	0.00	3,679.52	555.18
01-2220-5250-000 Unemployment Comp	40.00	80.00	0.00	110.00	110.00	30.00
01-2220-5260-000 Worker's Comp	355.99	350.00	0.00	189.48	189.48	(160.52)
01-2220-5440-000 Repairs and Maintenance	425.98	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
Notes: Projector Works, Inc handles most AV equipment repairs. Many repairs are made in house by our tech director.						
01-2220-5442-000 Contracted Services	4,635.05	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Notes: This represents the leasing and annual maintenance of a Konica copier for the library. Maintenance costs generally increase annually due to the age of the machine and its usage						
01-2220-5610-182 Library General Supplies:	843.11	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Notes: Supplies include: book cards, pockets, tape, bags, covers, plates, repair tape, etc.						
01-2220-5610-184 Library A.V. Supplies:	2,366.49	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00

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Notes: laminating film blank video cassettes transparency film batteries-assorted video camera batteries projection bulbs plain paper transparencies instructional videos SES ($400.00)						
01-2220-5640-001 Library Books:	7,920.38	8,000.00	0.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00
Notes: Additions to the fiction, non-fiction, reference, and AV reference collection. THE AVERAGE COST OF A LIBRARY BOUND HARDCOVER FICTION OR NON-FICTION BOOK IS $18.00. Books and materials are purchased to support curriculum standards in all core subject areas. A variety of sources are referenced when selecting books appropriate for all grade levels. Book reviews, book awards, library journals, educational journals, on line recommendations, student & teacher requests, etc. are all considered when expanding library resources.						
01-2220-5640-002 Library Periodicals:	889.23	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Notes: This line is for magazines, journals, newspapers, etc. for student reference. The district now purchases its periodicals through a subscription service allowing for a one-time annual renewal rate. The media generalist monitors usage of periodicals by students and staff closely. Changes and substitutions are made depending on need and usage.						
01-2220-5650-000 Computer Software Supplies:	22,720.52	15,000.00	0.00	16,000.00	16,000.00	1,000.00

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Notes: The school currently uses a variety of software programs and services that require annual renewal and periodic upgrades. The costs range from $50 to $3,000 per program/license. WeatherBug Achieve is an award-winning, interactive, learning program that seamlessly integrates real-time local and national weather data and camera images into a range of science, math, technology and geography lessons for elementary, middle and high school students. Reading A-Z offers thousands of printable teacher materials to teach guided reading, phonemic awareness, reading comprehension, reading fluency, alphabet, and vocabulary. The teaching resources include professionally developed downloadable leveled books, lesson plans, worksheets, and reading assessments. ($800.00) Maps101 This cross curricular Nystrom Website is filled with thousands of resources for students and teachers including maps of every type representing all areas of the world, current events, reference atlases, classroom resources, interactive maps, interactive games, and many other map and news related resources both contemporary and historical. Photoshop Creates and edits photos to be used on the web site. ($300.00) Alert Now ISEmergency notification and rapid communication system ($3.00 per student) Teacherease is to record grades on homework and class work. Allows us to produce a professional report card for grades 4-8. ($2,000.00) Professional Development enables educators accessibility to on-line course. ($2,000.00) Virus Protection we are currently using AVG software to detect and remove virus threats. ($1,300.00) MMS Support is Maintenance and support for our student information system. ($1,500.00) Classroom Software in Educational Subscriptions includes Miscellaneous programming in math and reading to enhance classroom instruction. ($2,000.00) Robotics Software and materials to support the after school Lego League program. This program has won several awards at the state level. ($1,900.00) Learning.com and Star Reading is a reading assessment program that allows testing and tracking of reading abilities. Used by all grades. ($1,000.00) Snap Health Software is Phone support, yearly updates, and downloadable state immunization requirements are a few of the important features provided through this support and maintenance program. Easy Tech Standards-based Technology Literacy Instruction is our proven online technology literacy curriculum, EasyTech, helps Kindergarten through 8th-grade students develop essential computer and technology skills to enhance their learning of math, language arts, science and social studies subjects. ($3,000.00) Tech support for the SpecialEducation software management system Case-e ($1000.00)						
01-2220-5733-001 New Equipment:	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Notes: Purchase of an LCD projector due to increase classroom demand.						
01-2220-5737-001 Replacement of Equipment:	500.00	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
Notes: Continue to replace old outdated equipment as necessary including overhead projectors, AV carts, TVs, VCRs, headphones, etc.						
TOTAL LIBRARY	**$137,889.45**	**$141,069.51**	**$109,476.50**	**$36,633.08**	**$146,109.58**	**$5.040.07**

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School Board Services						
01-2310-5119-010 School Board-Salaries:	3,100.00	3,100.00	0.00	3,100.00	3,100.00	0.00
Notes: The School Board is compensated for services to the community: Chairman: $700; Four Members: $600 each.						
01-2310-5119-011 School District Moderator-Salary:	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
01-2310-5119-012 School District Treasurer-Salary:	3,900.00	4,160.00	0.00	4,160.00	4,160.00	0.00
Notes: This line represents a fee of $80.00 per week.						
01-2310-5119-501 School District Clerk-Salary:	250.00	300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
Notes: Duties include: taking and preparing the minutes of the annual school district meeting. This person must also maintain a true record of all school district hearings and meetings; post and/or advertise all meetings, elections of School District Officers and all warrants as directed by the School Board. This person also acts as Moderator Pro-Tempore as per RSA 671:33 and provides for absentee voting in the same manner as towns, as provided in RSA 669:26-669:29. The clerk prepares the official ballots, per RSA 669:23; 669:24, 671:20 and reports to DRA and DOE information after the Annual School District Meeting. The clerk also prepares the government census survey and other required or related documents and must be available on all specified dates for the registration of School District candidates.						
01-2310-5119-502 School District Secretary-Salary:	1,621.75	1,900.00	0.00	1,900.00	1,900.00	0.00
Notes: The secretary attends all school board meetings, and records, transcribes, and publishes the board minutes. The hourly salary for the school board secretary is $14.62 for an approximate 130 hours. Board minutes are posted outside the school's main office and on the school website.						
01-2310-5220-000 F.I.C.A.:	686.36	692.32	0.00	692.32	692.32	0.00
01-2310-5810-000 Dues and Fees-School Board's Association	3,959.66	3,258.31	0.00	3,381.30	3,381.30	122.99
Notes: This membership fee is based on district size. Our membership category gives us reduced fees at sponsored workshops and access to such state association services as labor-relations, state-wide teacher salary settlement data, a legislative liaison professional and computerized research services.						
01-2311-5540-000 Advertising-Legal Notices:	5,143.56	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Notes: We are required by law to either advertise our meetings in a circulated publication, or to post the meeting time and date at two public locations within town. Part of this money is intended for that. In addition, employment ads for new staff hiring are also paid for from this line. This line has not supported actual costs for the past two years and is being increased as a result.						
01-2317-5330-030 Contracted Services-School District Audi	5,150.00	4,500.00	0.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	0.00
Notes: This line item provides for a professional audit of the books by an outside accounting firm.						
01-2318-5330-030 Contracted Services-Attorney & Negotiato	5,160.00	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00
Notes: Legal services concerning employee/employer matters, special education, school property issues, etc. This line also covers the cost of potential mediator and fact finding expenses and all legal expenses connected with litigation involving the district.						

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01-2319-5800-000	Other Expenses:	1,487.74	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00

Notes: Reimbursable expenses for all district officers in this section. Includes costs for treasurer's books and supplies, meetings out of town, workshop fees, publications, refreshments for special programs and meetings, etc.

TOTAL SCHOOL BOARD	$30,559.07	$44,010.63	$0.00	$44,133.62	$44,133.62	$122.99
SAU 44 Expenses						
01-2321-5800-000 EXPENSES-S.A.U. # 44:	254,459.12	265,622.06	0.00	273,264.01	273,264.01	7,641.95

Notes: This line represents Strafford's share of SAU costs. The total budget is supported by the Towns of Strafford, Northwood, and Nottingham and is governed by the Joint Board consisting of all school board members from the three communities. The budget process for the SAU is completed in the fall of each year following a process similar to that in each of the districts.
Support from the SAU is extensive and includes federal bookkeeping, business administration, coordination of the districts special education program, management of state mandates and programs, information dispersal, personnel management, grant management, and support for school board and district initiatives. The current Interim Superintendent is Dr. Michael Ludwell.

District	2008-2009	2009-2010	Dollar Increase
Nottingham	$286,373.78	$301,832.20	$15,458.42
Northwood	$278,073.09	$293,542.16	$15,469.07
Strafford	$265,622.06	$273,264.01	$7,641.95
Totals	$830,068.93	$868,638.37	$38,569.44

TOTAL SAU	$254,459.12	$265,622.06	$0.00	$273,264.01	$273,264.01	$7,641.95
Office of the Principal						
01-2410-5110-101 Principal's Salary:	83,330.58	85,831.00	82,000.00	0.00	82,000.00	(3,831.00)

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Notes: The school principal is a year round position with full instructional and management responsibilities. Among the many varied responsibilities of the principal is the supervision and evaluation of over 80 professional and support staff, curriculum development and implementation, supervising the daily operation of the building, building and managing the annual school budget, planning and implementing all staff development and professional growth activities maintaining discipline, supervising transportation, communication with parents and outside agencies, emergency management, monitoring building usage, grant writing and management, preparing and issuing required reports, assessment analysis, communications with the board and SAU, etc. The principal attends all School Board meetings, principals' meetings, staff development meetings, staff meetings, various committee meetings, and various school activities.						
01-2410-5110-102 Assistant Principal:	64,896.00	66,843.00	68,848.29	0.00	68,848.29	2,005.29
Notes: In addition to sharing the responsibilities of, and supporting the building principal, the primary assignment of an assistant principal is the management and supervision of the middle school that includes grades 5-8.						
01-2410-5110-501 Secretary Salary:	48,231.75	49,676.55	52,785.71	0.00	52,785.71	3,109.16
Notes: Both secretaries work closely together and coordinate their activities to provide clerical support to the school. This position also supports administration and various other departments and programs throughout the building. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, maintenance of students records, assisting with pre-school screening, graduation, special events, school pictures, etc., preparation of budget packs, inventory, processing purchase orders, making deposits for all school programs, distribution of instructional materials, maintaining state and federal forms, assist with newsletter publication, postings, preparation of records for out-going students including eighth graders going on to area high schools, making appointments for equipment repairs, filing, phone and fax communication, printing, distribution of phone and print messages, distribution of mail, and dozens of other task too numerous to mention. Both secretaries provide a great deal of support to students and parents, a critical part of their job description.						
01-2410-5211-000 Health Insurance (Cert.and Non-Certified	31,612.36	26,751.69	35,439.56	0.00	35,439.56	8,687.87
01-2410-5212-000 Dental Insurance (Cert.and Non-Certified	1,249.04	1,035.09	1,329.12	0.00	1,329.12	294.03
01-2410-5213-000 Life Insurance	693.00	709.00	0.00	709.00	709.00	0.00
01-2410-5214-001 Disability Insurance	352.42	370.00	0.00	370.00	370.00	0.00
01-2410-5219-000 Buy-Out	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
01-2410-5220-000 F.I.C.A.:	14,924.84	15,556.24	15,577.99	0.00	15,577.99	21.75
01-2410-5231-000 Retirement (Non-Certified Staff):	4,302.78	4,429.13	4,798.30	0.00	4,798.30	369.17
01-2410-5232-000 Retirement (Certified):	8,597.16	8,855.10	10,499.06	0.00	10,499.06	1,643.96
01-2410-5250-000 Unemployment Comp	160.00	160.00	0.00	220.00	220.00	60.00
01-2410-5260-000 Worker's Comp	1,060.88	800.00	0.00	378.96	378.96	(421.04)
01-2410-5430-000 Repairs and Maintenance:	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00

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Notes: Service contract for a leased copier (office) and the maintenance of the office telephone system, calculators, fax, etc.						
01-2410-5442-000 Contracted Service:	3,667.14	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Notes: This represents the cost of leasing one Konica copier located in the office.						
01-2410-5531-000 Telephone:	5,466.94	9,000.00	0.00	6,500.00	6,500.00	(2,500.00)
Notes: -6 Lines (business, business fax/fire alarm, security system, computer) -Cell Phone Service (Nextel- Phones)						
01-2410-5534-000 Postage:	2,911.81	4,000.00	0.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	500.00
Notes: This increase is due to the increase in the cost of postage. It also represents an increase in the volume of mail sent directly to parents.						
01-2410-5550-000 Printing:	658.78	3,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	(1,000.00)
Notes: General printing needs include risk management documents, stationery, envelopes, mailing labels, permanent record cards, curriculum guides, calendars, emergency plans, special newsletters, policy guides, teacher handbooks, etc.						
01-2410-5580-000 Travel Expenses:	689.37	750.00	0.00	750.00	750.00	0.00
Notes: Mileage associated with conducting school business including transporting students home, picking up and delivering equipment and materials, attending p transporting visiting artists and other guests, meeting attendance etc. Mileage is available to administration and secretaries at a current rate of $.55						
01-2410-5610-182 Supplies and Forms:	428.60	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
Notes: Typing ribbons, toner, stamp pads, lift off tapes, correction fluid, envelopes, mailing envelopes, pen refills, file frames, phone message books, memo pads, labeling supplies, student incentives, display letters, specialty rubber stamps, etc.						
01-2410-5650-000 Computer Software System Supplies:	272.93	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Notes: Printer cartridges, disks, paper, CRI phone support, cables, etc.						
01-2410-5810-000 Dues and Fees:	2,972.00	2,200.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	300.00
Notes: -New England League of Middle Schools (Institutional Membership) -New Hampshire Middle School Association (Institutional Membership) -National Association of Elementary School Principals -New Hampshire Association of School Principals -ASCD - Institutional Membership						
01-2490-5890-000 Graduation-Class Day Expenses:	2,673.17	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Notes: These funds pay for diplomas and awards, flowers, diploma covers, and other graduation expenses.						
TOTAL PRINCIPAL OFFICE	**$280,151.55**	**$291,216.80**	**$271,278.03**	**$29,177.96**	**$300,455.99**	**$9,239.19**

Office of the Bookkeeper

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01-2510-5110-000 School District Bookkeeper-Salary:	31,609.16	33,152.60	34,849.50	0.00	34,849.50	1,696.90
Notes: Responsibilities associated with this position extend into virtually all school programs and activities including fundraising, field trips, food service, community outreach, extra-curricular activities, facilities usage, etc. The bookkeeper works closely with the administration to monitor all financial activity within the school. Every expenditure, small or large, must be approved by the principal and bookkeeper using a purchase request procedure. The bookkeeper works closely with all vendors and school department heads to ensure that the school district pays the lowest prices possible for goods and services. The bookkeeper also attends school board meetings and provides comprehensive financial reports to the administration and school board on a monthly basis.						
01-2510-5211-000 Health Insurance: (Non-Certified)	0.00	0.00	16,603.86	0.00	16,603.86	16,603.86
01-2510-5212-000 (Non-Certified	0.00	0.00	1,008.54	0.00	1,008.54	1,008.54
01-2510-5213-000 Life Insurance:	75.60	83.60	0.00	83.60	83.60	0.00
01-2510-5219-000 Buy-Out	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-2510-5220-000 F.I.C.A.:	2,494.76	2,567.14	2,665.99	0.00	2,665.99	98.85
01-2510-5231-000 Retirement:	2,850.08	2,932.92	3,167.84	0.00	3,167.84	234.92
01-2510-5250-000 Unemployment Comp	40.00	40.00	0.00	55.00	55.00	15.00
01-2510-5260-000 Worker's Comp	170.50	170.00	0.00	94.74	94.74	(75.26)
01-2510-5430-000 Repairs and Maintenance:	0.00	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
Notes: Fax machine and postage meter repairs.						
01-2510-5442-000 Contracted Service: (Copier & Postage Me	3,579.18	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
Notes: This line represents the cost of a service contract and supplies for the bookkeeper's copy machine and for the annual lease of a Pitney Bowes postage meter.						
01-2510-5534-000 Postage:	703.10	1,200.00	0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
Notes: This line represents postage for the bookkeeper, treasurer, and the school board. Costs have increased for parcels and for first class mail.						
01-2510-5580-000 Travel Expenses:	584.81	600.00	0.00	800.00	800.00	200.00
Notes: Mileage for bank and credit union deposits made several times each month plus mileage for running a variety of school errands. Mileage is reimbursed at the rate of $.55.						
01-2510-5610-001 Supplies:	505.08	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
Notes: General office supplies to support the school bookkeeping office.						
01-2510-5610-002 Computer Supplies	361.14	1,800.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	(800.00)
Notes: These supplies support the school's ADS bookkeeping system and includes software updates, checks and envelopes, federal forms on line, printer cartridges, printer toner and related items						
01-2510-5650-000 Fund Accounting Software & Maintenance	2,130.57	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00

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Notes: This line represents the cost for licensing and the maintenance agreement for software updates and support.						
01-2510-5810-001 Adjustment line to Balance Budget	0.00	225.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	(225.68)
OTAL BOOKKEEPER	**$46,103.98**	**$47,871.94**	**$58,295.73**	**$8,333.34**	**$66,629.07**	**$18,757.13**
Operation of Plant						
01-2620-5110-901 Head Custodian's Salary:	37,818.28	39,536.64	40,723.11	0.00	40,723.11	1,186.47
Notes: This position requires knowledge and expertise in the field of building and grounds maintenance. In addition to the administrative duties this position requires, i.e. required state reports etc., the facilities manager oversees the daily operations of the Strafford School facilities.						
01-2620-5110-902 Custodian-Salaries:	96,868.60	104,538.33	93,531.96	0.00	93,531.96	(11,006.37)
Notes: There are currently three (3) full time custodians and one half time maintenance person on staff. Each full time person works a forty (40) hour week. Our custodial crew is responsible for the maintenance of all buildings and grounds. They handle the majority of the maintenance and repairs required and work very closely together as a team. Outside vendors are used only for major repair projects such as roof and heating repairs, electrical upgrades, excavation projects, etc.						
01-2620-5110-903 Community use of Building Part-Time Cust	1,178.51	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
Notes: This position provides weekend coverage to support community use of the building on Saturdays and Sundays.						
01-2620-5112-000 Summer Employment	4,362.50	3,800.00	0.00	3,800.00	3,800.00	0.00
Notes: This line supports the employment of part time summer help to assist with general cleaning including disinfecting desks, chairs, and other furniture, washing walls and storage cabinets, cleaning windows, removing adhesive from windows and floors, etc.						
01-2620-5120-000 Substitute & Overtime Custodian-Salaries	4,115.10	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Notes: This line supports substitutes for custodians needed due to illness, injury, vacation, or overtime requirements,						
01-2620-5211-000 Health Insurance (Non-Certified	44,713.43	37,492.77	49,668.84	0.00	49,668.84	12,176.07
01-2620-5212-000 Dental Insurance - (Non-Certified	430.56	356.79	458.12	0.00	458.12	101.33
01-2620-5213-000 Life Insurance:	75.60	83.60	0.00	83.60	83.60	0.00
01-2620-5220-000 F.I.C.A.:	10,395.10	12,000.93	10,270.52	0.00	10,270.52	(1,730.41)
01-2620-5231-000 Retirement:	9,226.56	10,806.84	10,433.80	0.00	10,433.80	(373.04)
01-2620-5250-000 Unemployment Comp	200.00	200.00	0.00	275.00	275.00	75.00
01-2620-5260-000 Worker's Comp	4,585.63	4,467.00	0.00	1,884.75	1,884.75	(2,582.25)
01-2620-5411-000 Water (bottled)	147.35	400.00	0.00	400.00	400.00	0.00
Notes: This line supports bottled water and cooler rental for office modular that has no running water.						

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01-2620-5429-000 Laundry & Dry Cleaning:	269.73	300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
Notes: This line supports the purchase of materials such as rags, mop heads, filters, and flag dry cleaning, etc.						
01-2620-5430-002 Repairs and Maintenance-Heating Plant:	10,364.18	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
Notes: Gas and oil heating system repairs and maintenance are included in this line. Also included is a maintenance contract with Control Technologies, the company that repairs our aging unit ventilators. As in the past, we hope to replace a couple of unit ventilators this year until all are replaced in the older sections of the building. Upgrades in the middle school section of the building are complete. The contracts in this line ensure that the school district gets priority service when heating problems develop.						
01-2620-5430-003 Repairs and Maint-Equipment:	5,733.06	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Notes: Gas and oil heating system repairs and maintenance are included in this line. Also included is a maintenance contract with Control Technologies, the company that repairs our aging unit ventilators. As in the past, we hope to replace a couple of unit ventilators this year until all are replaced in the older sections of the building. Upgrades in the middle school section of the building are complete. The contracts in this line ensure that the school district gets priority service when heating problems develop.						
01-2620-5430-004 Repairs and Maint-Furniture & Fix.:	7,185.92	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Notes: This line represents repairs to door and window hardware, locks, lockers, and related hardware, as well as furniture and fixtures.						
01-2620-5430-005 Repairs and Maintenance-Grounds	8,393.27	7,500.00	0.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	0.00
Notes: Playground inspection and repair, fuel and oil, sand, paving paint for lining field, ice melt, misc. lawnmower and trimmer parts, parts, garden plants and materials, driveway sealing, sign repair and replacement, fence repair, field work (rock removal, grading, etc.), playground bark mulch (special order), tractor parts and repairs, etc.						
01-2620-5430-006 Repairs and Maint-Building:	104,368.83	12,000.00	0.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00
Notes: This line represents interior and exterior painting, baseboard and tile replacement, ceiling tile replacement, water heater and water system repairs, window and door replacement, roof repairs, shade replacement, general repairs, fixture replacement, electrical upgrades, etc.						
01-2620-5430-007 Repairs and Maint-Dam	7,073.50	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
Notes: This line represents the cost of maintaining the dam located on land purchased by the school district for future school expansion. It is necessary to keep the dam free from all obstructions created by wildlife or weather conditions to prevent failure. It also includes monitoring the use of the 300 acre parcel on a monthly basis.						
01-2620-5441-000 Lease for Office Modular	23,705.00	0.00	0.00	23,705.00	23,705.00	23,705.00
Notes: This is the third and final payment for the office modular unit located to the right of the main building.						
01-2620-5442-000 Pagers	556.00	800.00	0.00	800.00	800.00	0.00

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Notes: This line covers the cost of pager service for custodians. Pagers are used to contact custodians in the event of emergencies including snowstorms, power outages, water problems, etc.						
01-2620-5442-001 Contracted Serv - Storage Pods	0.00	1,560.00	0.00	1,560.00	1,560.00	0.00
Notes: Two storage pods @ $65.00 per month each.						
01-2620-5442-002 Contracted Serv - Bleacher Maintenance	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
01-2620-5520-000 Insurance Premium On Bldg & Contents:	27,389.00	30,689.00	0.00	28,985.00	28,985.00	(1,704.00)
Notes: This is the Strafford School District's share of "Multi-Peril" insurance for the School District. It is a primary comprehensive property, liability, School Board Errors and Omissions, and Umbrella Insurance Program to encompass all of the property and all of the activities associated with the operation of all schools in SAU #44 through the individual School						
01-2620-5580-000 Travel Expenses:	376.23	600.00	0.00	600.00	600.00	0.00
Notes: Travel is reimbursed at a rate of $.55 a mile.						
01-2620-5610-001 Supplies-General Custodial:	25,887.76	20,000.00	0.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	2,000.00
Notes: Increased costs in this line are due to a significant increase in the cost of cleaning supplies due to transportation costs and the cost of production (waxes/cleaners are petroleum based), the ongoing use of the building by the community, and the age of the building. They are also due to new cleaning procedures that have been developed in response to air quality issues. These procedures include the more rapid replacement of filters in ventilators and in cleaning equipment. floor care supplies cleaner's sponge's assorted brushes urinal screens toilet paper paper towels sanitary napkins trashcan liners rubber gloves buffing/stripping pads dust pans/brushes brooms handles Kleenex deodorant blocks trash cans disinfectant vacuum bags wet mops wax carpet cleaner hand soap SES supplies						
01-2620-5610-002 Supplies-Glass:	500.00	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
Notes: This provides for general glass and window repairs.						
01-2620-5610-003 Supplies-Lumber:	1,515.27	2,000.00	0.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	(400.00)
Notes: Lumber for general repairs, new construction, roofing, classroom furniture, etc. Our current maintenance custodian builds most of the schools bookcases, storage cabinets, and other types of build in classroom furniture.						
01-2620-5610-004 Supplies-Hardware:	1,320.00	1,500.00	0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	(300.00)
Notes: This line supports the purchase of tools, bleacher parts, paint, assorted hardware, locker parts, cafeteria table parts, rollers, paintbrushes, nails, fasteners, etc.						
01-2620-5610-005 Supplies-Electrical:	1,239.40	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00

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Notes: Light bulbs and fixtures, outlets, clocks, switches, light covers, photocells, ballasts, electrical wire, etc.						
01-2620-5610-006 Supplies-Plumbing:	2,308.85	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Notes: Valves, connectors, water fountain parts, pipe, insulation, tape, toilet parts, gaskets, faucets, etc.						
01-2620-5622-000 Electricity:	43,792.85	48,000.00	0.00	52,800.00	52,800.00	4,800.00
01-2620-5623-000 Propane Gas:	15,108.70	25,000.00	0.00	18,000.00	18,000.00	(7,000.00)
01-2620-5624-000 Fuel Oil:	37,577.93	45,000.00	0.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	5,000.00
01-2620-5733-001 New Equipment:	10,454.68	4,500.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	(2,500.00)
Notes: This line represents the cost of replacing vacuum cleaners and scrubbers.						
01-2620-5737-001 Replacement of Equipment:	2,377.01	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Notes: Cleaning equipment is expensive. If a unit breaks down and cannot be repaired, this line supports the replacement of that equipment.						
01-2620-5737-002 Replacement of Furniture:	356.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Notes: This line represents the replacement of school furniture including desks & chairs, office furniture, shelving, storage units, as needed.						
01-2630-5421-001 Contracted Service-Rubbish Removal:	6,557.02	7,000.00	0.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	0.00
Notes: This line represents the weekly removal of trash and cardboard and paper from two dumpsters and 4 paper totes plus six extra pick-ups as needed. Service provided by Waste Management.						
01-2630-5421-002 Recycling	1,131.01	1,800.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	(300.00)
Notes: This line provides for recycling plastic, paper, bottles, glass and cans in totes provided by Waste Management.						
01-2630-5422-000 Snow Removal:	3,216.00	1,500.00	0.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	2,000.00
Notes: This line represents snow plowing and the removal of snow from the roof of the wooden modular units required to avoid structural overloads .						
01-2630-5430-005 Repairs and Maint-Grounds:	6,375.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-2660-5430-001 Contracted Service-Fire Alarm Service:	3,147.03	1,500.00	0.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	300.00
Notes: This line represents the maintenance of the school's fire alarm system, including parts replacement, inspection, automatic dialer contract, emergency maintenance, as well as extinguisher recharging. This line also covers the cost of replacing signaling devices and pull stations as necessary.						
01-2660-5430-002 Contracted Service-MasterClock & Interco	784.85	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
Notes: This line represents repairs to the school's Intercom system.						
01-2660-5430-003 Security System	0.00	800.00	0.00	800.00	800.00	0.00
Notes: This line is new and represents anticipated maintenance and monitoring costs for the school's security system.						
01-2690-5410-000 State Mandated-Water Testing:	5,176.30	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00

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Notes: Mandated water system maintenance and water testing performed by Second Wind Environmental of Manchester our water contractor. Water testing includes tests for bacteria, lead & copper, radon, MTB, pesticides, minerals, petroleum products, etc. This line continues to increase as mandates for testing increase. (State Mandated/ E.P.A.)						
01-2690-5411-000 Contracted Service-Septic Tank Maintenan	3,874.73	5,500.00	0.00	5,500.00	5,500.00	0.00
Notes: This line represents the cost of pumping the school's three septic tanks and grease trap. This line also covers a maintenance agreement with a septic pump company and with Roto-Rooter for drain work as needed. Costs continue to increase in this line because of regulations surrounding the dumping of raw sewerage and associated costs.						
TOTAL PLANT OPERATIONS	$582,232.33	$477,231.90	$205,086.35	$295,593.35	$500,679.70	$23,447.80
Transportation Services						
01-2721-5519-001 Elementary School Transportation:	195,840.00	202,906.08	0.00	210,501.89	210,501.89	7,595.81
Notes: Contracted amount is based on a per route cost of $26,312.73. The elementary school has eight runs using eight buses for a total of $210,501.89.						
01-2721-5519-002 High School Transportation:	73,440.00	76,090.92	0.00	78,938.19	78,938.19	2,847.27
Notes: Contracted amount is based on a per route cost of $26,312.73. The high school has three runs for a total cost of $78,938.19						
01-2722-5519-000 Special Education Transportation:	72,541.65	94,000.00	0.00	94,000.00	94,000.00	0.00
Notes: This is the cost for special education transportation services including summer. The dollar difference represents Strafford's portion of the contract at 25%. Special Education Transportation is determined by the number of students, destinations and variables such as the arrival and pick up schedules and the need for wheelchair capability. In addition, the special education student population is in a constant flux as students move into and out of the district and change placements during the year.						
01-2724-5519-000 Athletic Transportation:	1,765.84	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Notes: This line represents bus transportation to away games, including basketball, soccer, baseball, cross-country and related tournaments and championships. Currently, Strafford School schedules games within the Southeast League for three seasons of boys and girls sports including Cross Country. Towns included consist of Barrington, Northwood, Nottingham, Deerfield, Chichester, Barnstead, and Epsom. Up to two (2) other games may be scheduled per season outside of the League with area schools as the schedule allows (Rochester, Dover, St. Elizabeth Seton, St. Mary's, Alton, etc.). The above schedules require up to 35 trips annually for away games or meets at the above locations.						
01-2725-5519-001 Class-Field Trip Transportation:	1,578.50	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
Notes: In town curriculum/community service projects as approved by the administration, Christmas caroling for shut ins, tour of Strafford, Coe-Brown Orientation, Teen Institute, the Browne Center, band and chorus trips to competitions, Rochester Fair, environmental School, etc.						

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TOTAL TRANSPORTATION	$345,165.99	$378,497.00	$0.00	$388,940.08	$388,940.08	$10,443.08
Transfer to Capital Reserve						
01-5251-5450-000 Transfer to Capital Reserve	50,000.00	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(25,000.00)
TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE	$50,000.00	$25,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$(25,000.00)
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	$9,284,561.42	$10,180,938.81	$4,232,239.22	$5,723,165.33	$9,955,404.55	$(225,534.26)
Food Service Expenses						
04-3120-5110-001 Salaries-Food Service Director:	28,678.65	29,538.60	30,424.76	0.00	30,424.76	886.16
04-3120-5110-002 Salaries-Food Service Workers:	38,037.47	45,686.00	39,932.93	0.00	39,932.93	(5,753.07)
04-3120-5120-000 Substitute	1,734.74	600.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	400.00
04-3120-5211-000 Health	14,002.80	15,684.67	15,703.71	0.00	15,703.71	19.04
04-3120-5220-000 FICA	4,970.75	6,288.60	5,382.38	0.00	5,382.38	(906.22)
04-3120-5231-000 Retirement	2,506.54	2,581.67	2,765.52	0.00	2,765.52	183.85
04-3120-5250-000 Unemployment Comp	154.96	160.00	0.00	220.00	220.00	60.00
04-3120-5260-000 Worker's Comp	2,031.56	2,200.00	0.00	2,261.70	2,261.70	61.70
04-3120-5329-000 Education	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
04-3120-5430-000 Equipment Repairs	1,775.00	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
04-3120-5534-000 Postage	0.00	60.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(60.00)
04-3120-5540-000 Legal Notices (advertising)	0.00	85.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(85.00)
04-3120-5580-000 Transportation	73.50	150.00	0.00	150.00	150.00	0.00
04-3120-5610-001 Supplies	2,982.37	1,650.00	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	1,350.00
04-3120-5623-000 Propane Gas	645.91	700.00	0.00	800.00	800.00	100.00
04-3120-5630-000 Food/Milk	68,842.08	90,000.00	0.00	90,000.00	90,000.00	0.00
04-3120-5733-000 Replacement of Equipment	125.00	1,200.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	(700.00)
04-3120-5810-000 Dues & Fees	37.00	100.00	0.00	50.00	50.00	(50.00)
Total Food Service	$166,598.33	$197,384.54	$94,209.30	$98,681.70	$192,891.00	$(4,493.54)
Total Food Service	$9,451,159.75	$10,378,323.35	$4,326,448.52	$5,821,847.03	$10,148,295.55	$(230,027.80)

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Payment of Interest / Principl						
01-5100-5830-000 Payment of Interest:	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(1.00)
01-5100-5910-000 Payment of Principal:	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(1.00)
TOTAL 5100 Payment	**$0.00**	**$2.00**	**$0.00**	**$0.00**	**$0.00**	**$(2.00)**

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SAU #44 Strafford
Strafford School District Meeting
March 4, 2008
7:00 PM

School Board Members:
Mr. Bruce Patrick, Chairman
Ms. Lynda Powers, Vice Chairman
Ms. Christine Bane
Mr. Jason Grant
Ms. Rebecca Doty

Others:
Moderator James Allmendinger
Mrs. Judith McGann, Superintendent
Mr. William Tappan, Business Administrator, SAU #44
Mr. Richard Jenisch, Principal
Mr. George Drozin, Assistant Principal
Mr. Daniel Bisson of Team Design
Mr. Randy Remick of Bonnette, Page & Stone
Ms. Barbara Loughman, School District Attorney
Mrs. Carrolle A. Popovich, Clerk

Moderator Allmendinger called the 2008 Strafford School District Meeting to order at 7:15 PM, and declared that there was a quorum present. He noted that the purpose of the meeting was to conduct all lawful business to come before the body. Moderator Allmendinger introduced himself and those sitting at the front table. He noted the following: Mr. Bruce Patrick, Chairman, Ms. Lynda Powers, Vice Chairman, Ms. Christine Bane, Mr. Jason Grant, Ms. Rebecca Doty and Ms. Carrolle Popovich, School District Clerk. He further noted that at the other front table, the following were seated: Ms. Barbara Loughman, Legal Counsel for the Strafford School District; Superintendent Judith McGann; Mr. Richard Jenisch, Principal; Mr. George Drozin, Assistant Principal; Mr. William Tappan, Business Administrator for SAU #44. He further noted the attendance of Mr. Daniel Bisson of Team Design and Mr. Randy Remick of Bonnette, Page & Stone.

Moderator Allmendinger asked that anyone who wished to speak should use the microphone and that they begin by stating their name and address for the record. Moderator Allmendinger began by reviewing the process and procedure he would follow for the meeting, stating that he would not allow any verbal attacks, and asked that those present have a free and open discussion. Moderator Allmendinger stated that, if the rules were not obeyed, he would recess the meeting for a fifteen-minute period and commence again. He further requested that those individuals who wished to speak, address their questions/comments through him as the moderator. Moderator Allmendinger stated that the body might appeal any ruling he has made by a majority vote. He further indicated that he would not vote unless it was to make or break a tie vote. Moderator Allmendinger asked that all motions and amendments be stated in the positive, and that all statements from the body be confined to the issues. He noted that he would allow one amendment to the motion and one amendment to the amendment, stressing the point that he wished to insure adequate debate on all issues. He also noted that the meeting would not follow Robert's Rules nor Mason Rules, but "Jim's Rules". Lastly, Moderator Allmendinger noted that three (3) voters could ask for a secret ballot vote. Moderator Allmendinger pointed out that the Warrant has been posted at the Strafford Town Office Building, the Strafford School, and the

Strafford Post Office as well as at the isinglass Store in Strafford, NH. He stated that as there was a quorum present, he declared the Strafford School District Meeting opened.

Moderator Allmendinger asked that everyone rise for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Moderator Allmendinger stated that because there is a bond issue on the Warrant, in accordance with state statute, Warrant Article #1 must be acted upon first.

Moderator Allmendinger then read Warrant Article #1.

Warrant Article #1:
"Shall the Strafford School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eleven million, two hundred thousand dollars ($11,200,000.00) for the completion of final plans and specifications and the construction of additions and renovations to the Strafford Elementary School and authorize the issuance of not more than eleven million, two hundred thousand dollars ($11,200,000.00) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Ch. 33), and further authorize the School Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and determine the rate of interest therein; and further raise and appropriate the additional sum of three hundred, twenty-three thousand five hundred fifty-five dollars and fifty-six cents ($323,555.56) for the first interest payment on the bond and raise and appropriate the additional sum of two hundred, eighty thousand dollars ($280,000.00) in interest earned on the bond for use on the project, and authorize the School Board to apply for, accept and expend federal, state or other local grants or funds for the support of the project; and to take any other action necessary to carry out this vote?" (Two-thirds ballot vote required). Estimated Tax Impact $.66

The School Board recommends this appropriation.

Mr. Grant duly moved the adoption of Warrant Article #1, as read by the Moderator. Ms. Bane seconded the motion. Discussion ensued with a presentation from Ms. Bane, who gave a brief history lesson regarding the many years that have gone into the process of reviewing facility needs, going as far back as 1999. She noted that since 1999, the Facility Needs Committee has gone full circle back to a renovation option, pointing out that critical needs need to be addressed. Ms. Bane spoke to the many options that have been presented to the public over the years. She also spoke about the demographic studies that have been done over the years. Ms. Bane emphasized that, as elected officials, the Strafford School Board is responsible for putting children first. Ms. Bane noted that the Board is now asking for community support for the best solution for our children, stressing the importance of education, and the need to invest in the school and our children to provide a healthy, safe and appropriate learning environment. She added that the proposed building addition/renovations qualify for 30% building aide and will meet all of the needs now and in the future.

Mr. Grant spoke regarding the major building deficiencies at the Strafford School. He reviewed, in length, the Deficiency Plan, reviewing the inadequate and compromised space within the building, noting the guidance, administration, and instructional space and nursing areas. He also reviewed the health and safety issues, maintenance issues and emergency shelter issues. Mr. Grant spoke about the options available and reviewed the Strafford Elementary School Square Footage Recap as done by Team Design (Option A and B). Mr. Grant then turned the meeting over to Mr. Daniel Bisson from Team Design who conducted a review of the First Floor Plan – Option A. Mr. Bisson explained that the mechanical, civil and electrical engineers went through the current facility with a fine toothcomb. The electrical engineer, who noted that one of the main focuses is the improvement of the air circulation within the building, then did a review of the Site Plan. He also reviewed the bus drop off area, the expansion of the parking lot area and the parent drop off area of the proposed building/renovations. Mr. Bisson also did a review of the

proposed drop off area, explaining that the kindergarten will have their own separate area and door. Mr. Bisson continued with a review of the existing shell of the building, pointing out the energy savings that will be appreciated. Mr. Bisson further reviewed the aerial view of the proposed building/renovations.

At this point in the meeting, Mr. Randy Remick of Bonnette, Page & Stone was introduced who spoke about the anticipated construction timeline. Mr. Remick reviewed the site plan, noting that the goal is to do the additions first and then focus on as much of the renovations, once the first wing is occupied. Mr. Remick reviewed many of the components that will be included within the proposed building. At this time, Mr. Remick reviewed the time line, noting that Bonnette, Page & Stone will be the construction company doing the work, adding that his company is located in the Lakes Region, and have been involved in many construction management projects.

Mr. Grant reviewed present vs. future comparison figures and also reviewed the current enrollment figures as well as current capacity figures. He also did a thorough review of the project costs as well as the household impact tax per year at a 4% tax impact rate as well as a 5% tax impact rate. He noted that the 30% state aide figure is included within those figures. Mr. Grant also reviewed the cost per thousand of assessed value information. Ms. Bane explained that the figure of 5% is what is being used on the warrant – in a concerted effort to be conservative.

At this point in the meeting, Moderator Allmendinger opened the floor for discussion regarding Warrant Article #1.

Mr. John Savioli spoke about the information provided, and urged voters to vote in favor of Warrant Article #1. Mr. John Ray spoke in favor of Warrant Article #1, urging voters to vote in favor of Warrant Article #1 as a chance to do something for our kids and our community. Ms. Morgan Edgerly referenced the poor water quality at the school and asked if the plan will include replacing any of the water pipes within the school. Mr. Bisson explained that the plan included the replacement of most of the piping in the school. Ms. Pamela Felber spoke in favor of Warrant Article #1 stating that the time is now to act, as it benefits our community, and urged voters to vote yes on Warrant Article #1. More discussion ensued from a community member who commented that Warrant Article #1 was a big plan for a small town. Compliments were given to both boards – the Strafford School Board and the Strafford Board of Selectmen for working together, for listening to the needs of the community and working together on behalf of the Strafford community. Mr. Gerald Waldron spoke about the information he'd received from the Town Office regarding tax information. He noted his concerns about the affordability of the proposed plan. Mr. Waldron pointed out the declining job market, declining equities, high food prices and energy prices, adding that he did not feel that the community could afford this expenditure at this time. Mr. Walter Estes spoke in favor of Warrant Article #1, urging voters to vote yes on Warrant Article #1. A question was raised with regards to whether the State will mandate corrections to deficiencies, should Warrant Article #1 not pass. Superintendent McGann explained the perimeters to be able to receive 30% state building aide. She stressed the importance of insuring that the existing building is brought up to code. Further discussion ensued with a community member raising concerns about the fact that the Strafford School is way out of compliance with regards to the special education program. She pointed out the ramifications that could prevail with regards to the possibility of legal issues. Ms. Matthews spoke about her concerns about the high level of carbon dioxide within the school, adding that poor air quality is aiding in the number of sicknesses within the school among students and staff. She noted that, as a result of the poor air quality, students are not able to do their best performance. Ms. Matthews spoke about the importance of passing Warrant Article #1 for the children's health and staff health within the school, and urged voters to vote yes on Warrant Article #1. Mr. Jack Lagasee spoke about the importance of voting yes on Warrant Article #1, adding that if the town puts it off; we'll spend extra money down the road.

Moderator Allmendinger indicated that he would allow only one more speaker prior to limiting debate on Warrant Article #1. Ms. Linda Hartmann was recognized to speak and stated that Warrant Article #1 was just asking for adequate – nothing more than adequate, stressing that the town citizens need to act upon this because the kids deserve it.

Moderator Allmendinger then accepted a motion to move the question, which was made by Ms. Sandra Schwab and was duly seconded. A call for the vote to limit debate was recorded as a unanimous vote in the affirmative by a hand card vote, and was declared as such by Moderator Allmendinger.

Moderator Allmendinger opened the ballot box and presented an empty ballot box to the voters, whereupon he locked the ballot box. At this point in the meeting, the voting process took place. Special thanks go to: Ms. Diane Waldron, Strafford Town Clerk; Ms. Liz Evans; Ms. Carol Cooper; Ms. Martha English and Ms. Marilyn Roderick for all their professionalism in performing their duties of the voter checklist.

Special thanks are also extended to all individuals who were duly appointed by the Strafford School District Clerk who presided over the ballot box while votes were being cast, as well as those who counted ballots for Warrant Article #1.

While votes were being counted, Moderator Allmendinger moved on to Warrant Article #2. He read Warrant Article #2 as follows:

Warrant Article #2:
"To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of ten million, three hundred fifty-three thousand, three hundred twenty-six dollars and thirty-five cents ($10,353.326.35) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the school district. This article does not include appropriations voted in other warrant articles."

The School Board recommends this appropriation.

Discussion ensued regarding Warrant Article #2, with Mr. Phil Knox asking if the school board made any cuts to the budget prior to it being presented at the annual School District Meeting. He also questioned the tax impact. Chairman Patrick explained the tax impact, further reviewing in great detail, the budgetary process and how it works. He pointed out that the Board meets many times during budget deliberations, adding that many cuts were made to the proposed budget, which is presented to them by the school administration. Ms. Mary Jane Carroll questioned the number of classrooms for the first grade level. Chairman Patrick noted that although no decisions have been made yet, it would depend on the demographics/school population in specific grades. Mr. Richard Jenisch, Principal of the Strafford School spoke to concerns raised regarding the number of first grade classrooms. Mr. Jenisch noted that discussion did come about with regards to combining classrooms, adding that it is based on the population trends. He did point out that a long hard look would be done with regards to combining classrooms. Mr. Jenisch further pointed out that problems arise when you cut back on classrooms and then the population numbers go up again. He added that he would be reviewing this information with the Board over the next few months. Mr. Gerald Waldron questioned the tax impact that the proposed budgetary figure included within Warrant Article #2 would have on the taxpayers of Strafford and also questioned the budget balance figures that have been on hand at the end of each year. Chairman Patrick reviewed the current tax figures, noting that some encumbrances are done at the end of the year. Chairman Patrick pointed out the fact that School Board members are very frugal, explaining that they review and question every single bill. Chairman Patrick emphasized the fact that Board members watch every single penny, which is how savings are given back to the town each year, to reduce the amount to be raised by taxes. Mr. Waldron questioned other encumbrances that have been taken out of remaining monies at the end of the year. Chairman Patrick explained that

any encumbrances are items that the school has "skimped on" over the year, providing Mr. Waldron with examples of necessary encumbrances. Discussion ensued regarding the demographics of the community. Mr. Waldron commended the teachers and administration at the Strafford School for doing an excellent job with our students.

Further discussion ensued with regards to Warrant Article #2 with Chairman Patrick pointing out that there are fifteen (15) additional students going to Coe-Brown Northwood Academy, which are included within the budget. He also mentioned other increases that have been handed down to the Strafford School District. Mr. Savioli queried the cost for sending students to other school districts. Questions were raised regarding any new positions at the Strafford School. Mr. Jenisch advised that there is a new special education coordinator at the Strafford School, adding that special education costs are significant, further noting how incredibly proud he is of what our school provides to children with disabilities. Mr. Jenisch noted that special education students are held to the same standards as the regular students.

There being no further discussion concerning Warrant Article #2, Moderator Allmendinger re-read Warrant Article #2. On a show of cards, Moderator Allmendinger declared that Warrant Article #2 passed.

Moderator Allmendinger then read Warrant Article #3.

Warrant Article #3:
"Shall the Strafford School District authorize the School Board to convey a conservation easement to the Town of Strafford, acting through its Conservation Commission covering approximately 290 acres of the School District's 365-parcel of land off of Johnsonboro Road for conservation purposes with this donation to enable the Conservation Commission to receive a matching grant from the Coastal Estuarine Land Conservation Program. This conveyance is conditioned on the Conservation Commission covering the cost of producing any and all necessary plans for the School District to retain a minimum of 75 acres of property for future school use. It is also conditioned on the conveyance being made at no cost to the District and on such other and further terms and conditions as the School Board determine are in the best interest of the District?" The School District retains ownership of the entire property.

A motion to move Warrant Article #3 was duly made and seconded.

Mr. Phil Auger spoke to Warrant Article #3. He reviewed the Isinglass River Corridor Project in detail, noting that it is a partnership with the Town of Strafford, the Conservation District, the Trust for Public Land and a small regional land trust. Mr. Auger noted the significance of the Isinglass River. He then provided a detailed power point presentation on the project, reviewing the Boulders of Strafford project, the Boulders Subdivision Plan and the Boulders Project Fiscal Impact Projections for the Town of Strafford.

Moderator Allmendinger declared that the voting polls with regards to voting on Warrant Article #1 would close in five (5) minutes.

Mr. Auger noted the fiscal impact of the project and reviewed the Strafford Education Fiscal Impact for 2007/2008 Data. Mr. Auger gave a brief history regarding the process and procedure, which was followed to be able to obtain the grant. He noted that the total commitment is $150,000. Mr. Auger went on to note that the CELP Grant is a one-to-one match, adding that the Conservation District has been working on finding match properties – either as a gift or as a conservation easement.

Moderator Allmendinger declared that the voting on Warrant Article #1 was officially closed at 9:49 PM.

Mr. Auger reviewed the Strafford School property in question and the Warrant Article before the body and reviewed the physical features of the property. He explained the different types of easements available, summarizing that the "Town of Strafford will be investing $150,000 to get over a 1.4 million dollar investment – a lot of bang for our buck."

Ms. Judy Whitcher queried Mr. Auger regarding the request, noting that there is sufficient money in the Conservation treasury. She noted that she did not think that the town should give this asset away when it may be needed in the future. Mr. Auger noted that the Conservation District is not approaching the Strafford School District for any money, making it clear that the Strafford School District will retain ownership. Mr. Irving Johnson stated that, in his opinion, by doing this would diminish the value of the land in question. Mr. Auger noted that the Conservation District did an appraisal on the portion of land that is being considered, not the whole piece of land. Mr. Johnson suggested that consideration should be given to the utilization of perhaps one hundred acres of the back land or the ledges. Ms. Suzie Morgan spoke to her concerns about the project, and the impact it would have on the accessibility of the water in that area. Mr. Auger explained that the proposal would allow for water withdrawal. Several other Strafford citizens spoke in favor of the proposal, such as Mr. Charles Moreno who noted that an unbiased appraisal was conducted on the land, further pointing out that the valuable part of the land is the front part of which the school is keeping. Further discussion ensued regarding other funding sources being explored by the Conservation District. Mr. Paul Eaton spoke in favor of Warrant Article #3, stating that it makes good sense for the Town of Strafford; it will reduce future growth within the Town and the proposal provides the residents of Strafford with the best of both worlds. Mr. Eaton went on to note that the proposal is ranked #1 nationally and is fully supported by many, adding that it is an opportunity to bring our community together. Mr. Cal Schroeder spoke to the positive aspects of Warrant Article #3.

Moderator Allmendinger then accepted a motion to limit debate, which was duly made and seconded. Moderator Allmendinger called for the vote to limit debate, which was voted, by a show of cards, in the affirmative.

There being no further discussion, Moderator Allmendinger then called for the vote on Warrant Article #3. On a show of cards, the vote on Warrant Article #3 passed.

With regards to Warrant Article #1 - Moderator Allmendinger reported the following:
404 votes were cast; 244 in the affirmative; 159 in the negative with 1 blank ballot. Moderator Allmendinger pointed out that Warrant Article #1 needed a two-thirds majority vote to pass, noting that the motion failed.

Moderator Allmendinger then read Warrant Article #4:

Warrant Article #4:
To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000.00) to be placed in the school district capital reserve fund established in 1985, for the purpose of financing any and all capital improvements to school buildings as well as all or part of the cost of new construction for the school district in accordance with the provisions of RSA Ch 35, with such amount to be funded from the year end undesignated fund balance (surplus) available on July 1, 2008. The balance of this account as of this date is two hundred, fifty one thousand, eight hundred, fifty-three dollars ($251,853.00).

Moderator Allmendinger recognized Chairman Bruce Patrick who moved Warrant Article #4 as read by the Moderator. Ms. Doty seconded the motion. There being no questions relative to Warrant Article #4, Moderator Allmendinger called for the vote on Warrant Article #4. On a show of cards, Moderator Allmendinger declared that the vote on Warrant Article #4 passed.

Moderator Allmendinger then read Warrant Article #5.

Warrant Article #5:
To choose agents and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

Vice Chairman Powers then moved the adoption of Warrant Article #5. Chairman Patrick seconded the motion. Chairman Patrick explained that this warrant article allows the Board to form committees. **There being no discussion following the motion, Moderator Allmendinger reread Warrant Article #5 and then called for the vote on the motion. On a show of cards, Moderator Allmendinger declared that Warrant Article #5 passed.**

Warrant Article #6
To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

A motion was then made, and was duly seconded, to reconsider Warrant Article #1. Moderator Allmendinger noted the RSA with regards to reconsideration, and read the RSA in length. **Moderator Allmendinger then called for the vote on the motion to re-consider Warrant Article #1. On a show of cards, Moderator Allmendinger requested that a vote count be conducted. After doing such, Moderator Allmendinger declared that the vote to reconsider Warrant Article #1 passed.**

Discussion ensued with regards to a suggested day to hold the reconsideration meeting with regards to Warrant Article #1.

There being no further business to come before the March 4, 2008 Strafford School District Meeting, Moderator Allmendinger adjourned the meeting for the evening at 10:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrolle A. Popovich
Strafford School District Clerk
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SAU #44 Strafford
Strafford School District Meeting
Reconsideration Meeting for Warrant Article #1
March 12, 2008
7:00 PM

School Board Members:
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Ms. Lynda Powers, Vice Chairman
Ms. Christine Bane
Mr. Jason Grant
Ms. Rebecca Doty

Others:
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Moderator Allmendinger called the 2008 Strafford School District Reconsideration Meeting to order at 7:17 PM, and declared that there was a quorum present. He noted that the purpose of the meeting was to reconsider Warrant Article #1. Moderator Allmendinger introduced himself and those sitting at the front table. He noted the following: Mr. Bruce Patrick, Chairman, Ms. Lynda Powers, Vice Chairman, Ms. Christine Bane, Mr. Jason Grant, Ms. Rebecca Doty and Ms. Carrolle Popovich, School District Clerk. He further noted that at the other front table, the following were seated: Ms. Barbara Loughman, Legal Counsel for the Strafford School District; Superintendent Judith McGann; Mr. George Drozin, Assistant Principal; Mr. William Tappan, Business Administrator for SAU #44.

Moderator Allmendinger asked that anyone who wished to speak should use the microphone and that they speak clearly and begin by stating their name and address for the record. Moderator Allmendinger began by reviewing the process and procedure he would follow for the meeting, stating that he would not allow any verbal attacks, and asked that those present have a free and open discussion, with no profane or inappropriate language. Moderator Allmendinger stated that, if the rules were not obeyed, he would recess the meeting for a fifteen-minute period and commence again. He further requested that those individuals, who wished to speak, address their questions/comments through him as the moderator. Moderator Allmendinger explained how motions for reconsideration work, adding that they typically cause strong and hard feelings on both sides. He spoke to the NH State Statutes (2) that address reconsideration votes. Moderator Allmendinger noted the parliamentary procedure that he would follow, stating that if another vote to reconsider was made, he would rule it out of order, however, he explained that the body could vote to over rule his ruling for reconsideration with a majority vote, and then a reconsideration motion could then be brought forth. Moderator Allmendinger stated that he would allow one amendment to the motion and one amendment to the amendment. He noted that it was his desire to allow adequate debate on the issue at hand. He further indicated that he would not vote unless it was to make or break a tie vote. Moderator Allmendinger asked that all statements from the body be confined to the issue and that speakers make their comments brief.

He also noted that the meeting would not follow Robert's Rules nor Mason Rules, but "Jim's Rules". Moderator Allmendinger asked that everyone in the audience please silence their cell phones and pagers. He further stated that he would allow proponents who wish to speak to Warrant Article #1 to do so. Lastly, Moderator Allmendinger pointed out that the Warrant Article #1 had been duly advertised and posted in appropriate places throughout the community, and that he was treating it as a motion to reconsider, which was made at the march 4, 2008 School District Meeting, and therefore there was no need for an additional motion and second. Moderator Allmendinger stated that as there was a quorum present and he declared the Strafford School District Meeting regarding the reconsideration of Warrant Article #1 opened.

Moderator Allmendinger asked that everyone rise for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moderator Allmendinger then read Warrant Article #1.

Warrant Article #1:
"Shall the Strafford School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eleven million, two hundred thousand dollars ($11,200,000.00) for the completion of final plans and specifications and the construction of additions and renovations to the Strafford Elementary School and authorize the issuance of not more than eleven million, two hundred thousand dollars ($11,200,000.00) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Ch. 33), and further authorize the School Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and determine the rate of interest therein; and further raise and appropriate the additional sum of three hundred, twenty-three thousand five hundred fifty-five dollars and fifty-six cents ($323,555.56) for the first interest payment on the bond and raise and appropriate the additional sum of two hundred, eighty thousand dollars ($280,000.00) in interest earned on the bond for use on the project, and authorize the School Board to apply for, accept and expend federal, state or other local grants or funds for the support of the project; and to take any other action necessary to carry out this vote?" (Two-thirds ballot vote required). Estimated Tax Impact $.66

The School Board recommends this appropriation.

Ms. Christine Bane, member of the Strafford School Board and Facility Needs Committee spoke regarding Warrant Article #1. Ms. Bane stated that everyone in attendance was here for the process as friends and good neighbors. Ms. Bane reviewed the history of the committees that were formed over the years to address the needs of the school. She reviewed all of the work that has gone into the numerous studies, pointing out that all this information has been shared with the public through mailings, and informational meetings. She stressed that the School Board has considered all the requirements, and has done their homework. Ms. Bane pointed out that this plan couldn't be cut, reduced or altered, adding that the plan does not include any extras – however, it will meet the critical needs/necessities such as clean air, clean water, and an appropriate facility. Ms. Bane reviewed what the plan would entail as far as classroom space, noting that the additions and renovations will bring the building up to code, and will allow for more students in the future.

Mr. Jason Grant, member of the Strafford School Board and Facility Needs Committee addressed the cost factor. He reviewed the fact that the cost was a guaranteed maximum price. Mr. Grant reviewed the numerous meetings, which were held in a concerted effort to bring the cost of the proposed construction down, adding that the plan includes using most of the already existing kitchen equipment, most of the desks, chairs, bookshelves and office equipment. He added that the proposal uses the footprint wisely and it would also keep the two playing fields intact. Mr. Grant pointed out that bond rates are low, and should the proposal pass, the School District could lock in at an interest rate of 4% or possibly lower. He noted that the proposal would cost the average household $1.12 per day – less than a cup of coffee. Mr. Grant pointed out that it the

proposal is voted down, it will only cost more in the future, adding that the stimulus package proposed for taxpayers would certainly cover the costs of the increase in taxes. Mr. Grant spoke to the positive aspect of a guaranteed maximum price for construction.

Ms. Bane then reviewed the floor plan of the proposed building addition/construction/renovation component. She explained that the plan will provide extra rooms and will accommodate future growth to 2018-2025. Mr. Grant explained that the State would be 30% of the $11.2 million dollars for state aide. Mr. Grant further noted that the plan includes 45,000 square feet which will be renovated, adding that the proposal will update antiquated systems within the building, will bring it up to code, will eliminate the high levels of CO 2 in the building, will include the addition of a generator for the building, will include the installation of a sprinkler system and include showers for the facility, as the Strafford School is the designated emergency shelter for the Town of Strafford. Mr. Grant further pointed out that the construction/renovations will bring the building up to all life and safety code issues, and will address all the needs of students as well as staff.

At this point in the meeting, Moderator Allmendinger opened the floor for questions from the audience. He asked that those wishing to speak clearly state their name and address.

Ms. Cheryl Roy, Co-Chairman of the Facility Needs Committee was recognized to speak who stated that the committee has worked very hard to improve the communications with the town, fire and school. She stated that she was very proud of the committee, adding that the proposal was a good plan, stressing that it needed to be passed for the safety of our children, adding that our children need a good education in a safe environment. Ms. Erica Helm spoke about her concerns about the air quality in the building, and the possibility of lawsuits that could evolve, as a result of the poor air quality, as has been experienced in other school districts in the State. She pointed out the fact that the State Department of Education is under no obligation to give any waivers to the Strafford School. Ms. Helm stated that she is proud to live in Strafford, pointing out the many ramifications that may come about as a result of not addressing the air quality issues within the school. Ms. Carolyn Clark stated that she was willing to make sacrifices, and challenged everyone in the audience to make sacrifices for the children of Strafford. Mr. Lou Goskinski questioned what would happen if Warrant Article #1 did not pass, further questioning the Board if they have a plan. Mr. Grant stated that the plan would be to open more windows. He noted that the issue at hand would have to wait another year, while fans are put in the windows, and heating costs rise. He noted his concerns about the significant levels of CO2 in the building. Mr. Goskinski pointed out the conditions that our children have to come to learn in every day. He asked those in attendance to look at the NECAP scores, adding that Strafford students have scored among the highest in the State of New Hampshire. He stated that he tipped his hat to all of the students and teachers who have to learn/teach in these conditions. Mr. Don Black spoke to the decision making process, stating that was voting in favor of Warrant Article #1, and hoped that everyone else would. Mr. Lester Huckins queried the amount of money currently in the Capital Reserve Fund, asking if that money could be used to improve the air quality in the school. It was the recommendation of Mr. Huckins that the Board consider doing projects "piece meal". Ms. Bane explained that just the quote on the ventilation alone within the building is close to two million dollars. Mr. Irving Johnson spoke to the land owned by the Strafford School District and the fact that a portion of this land was approved by the voters of Strafford to be given as a conservation easement. Ms. Bane explained that, in years past, the issue of building a new school on this land failed, noting that although a small portion of land was given for a conservation easement, there is ample land remaining that could be used to build upon. Ms. Bane reminded everyone that the land in question was purchased as per the vote of the residents within Strafford. Mr. Don Clifford asked if the plan incorporates a new roof over the entire project. Mr. Dan Bisson of Team Design explained that the plan is to replace a portion of the roof, which is 20 years old. He noted further that all the other roofs are in very good shape and do not need to be replaced. Mr. Bisson added that the plan is to match the old roof with the new roof. Ms. Sue Forsythe spoke about a two letters that she planned to include on the web site: www.StraffordTaxPayersCoalition.org. She also spoke to the importance of speaking to each

other in a respectful matter, without the fear of being intimidated. She thanked the Strafford School Board members for all their time and energy put forth. Mr. Robert Perry stated that in terms of security, the Strafford School is a sieve. He spoke in favor of insuring that the students of Strafford have a safe and healthy environment. Ms. Sharon Oman queried what would happen should Warrant Article #1 not pass. She expressed concerns regarding this issue, and what has happened in other school districts. Superintendent McGann explained that there is a school approval process and all school district have to go through with specific mandates. She noted that if certain mandates and standards are not being met – school districts *might* lose federal funds and federal grant funds. She noted that there are other components involved such as the State Fire Marshall's Office – who review the various components and standards that have to be met. Superintendent McGann further noted that no waivers are given, which will mean that school districts will have to conform to specific mandates, and will have to supply a building that would meet the compliance issues, such as modular buildings. Superintendent McGann stated that, in other districts, bussing has been done to other school districts. Discussion ensued regarding the tuition cost of sending students to another schools, should the need arise. Ms. Elaine Grant stated that the most conservative thing that Strafford residents can do is to vote for the plan, as it will get more expensive as time goes on. She added that this is the smart thing to do for our wallets. Mr. James Cyr noted his concerns about lead paint issues. Ms. Denise Rainey stated that it was her feeling that the taxpayers just could not afford an expenditure of this magnitude. She spoke about the significant tax implication that will prevail, should Warrant Article #1 pass. Ms. Bane noted the average cost of homes in Strafford and the average cost per taxpayer over a fifteen-year period. Ms. Patricia Baker shared a conversation that she had with her seven year old son, who asked why the people in Strafford don't want the children that attend the Strafford School to have a safe and healthy school. She stated that by not voting for Warrant Article #1, we are sending a message to our children that they are not important, and urged everyone in attendance to vote yes on Warrant Article #1.

At this point in the meeting, Moderator Allmendinger called the question. He noted that the voting polls would be open for one hour, asking that all individuals present their authorization cards to the supervisors of the checklist. He opened the ballot box and presented an empty ballot box to the voters, whereupon he locked the ballot box. At this point in the meeting, the voting process took place. Special thanks go to: Ms. Diane Waldron, Strafford Town Clerk; Ms. Liz Evans; Ms. Carol Cooper; Ms. Martha English and Ms. Marilyn Roderick for all their professionalism in performing their duties of the voter checklist.

The Strafford School District Clerk who presided over the ballot box while votes were being cast, as well as those who counted ballots for Warrant Article #1 also extend special thanks to all individuals who were duly appointed.

Moderator Allmendinger re-read Warrant Article #1 as follows:

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necessary to carry out this vote?" (Two-thirds ballot vote required). Estimated Tax Impact $.66

Moderator Allmendinger then recessed the Reconsideration Meeting for one hour commencing at 8:10 PM.

Moderator Allmendinger then re-opened the Reconsideration Meeting at 9:31 PM, announcing the vote on Warrant Article #1 as follows: From the seven hundred two votes (702) cast, there needed to be a two-thirds majority vote for Warrant Article to pass. He noted that there were three hundred sixty-four (364) affirmative votes and three hundred eleven (311) negative votes and one blank vote. Moderator Allmendinger stated that Warrant Article #1 failed by ninety-nine (99) votes.

Moderator Allmendinger then accepted a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was duly seconded. There being no further business to come before the meeting, Moderator Allmendinger announced that the meeting was adjourned at 9:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrolle A. Popovich
Strafford School District Clerk
Approved by the Board – 3-26-2008

Strafford School
Report of the Principal
2008

A parent approached me this fall during open house and commented on the wonderful sense of community that exists within our school and how much his family loved the school and their child's teachers. Hundreds of parents visited with friends and neighbors that evening, toured classrooms, learned about school programs and special activities, and expressed their support for the school. On grandparent's day, sponsored by the food service program, 190 plus grandparents came to have lunch with their grandchildren. Many celebrated this opportunity and expressed great support for the school. They all commented on how polite and happy the students seemed to be and how eager they were to share their school experiences. At Pumpkin Hollow hundreds of families and extended families came together to participate in what has become a premier community event sponsored by our PTO. The atmosphere was exciting and everyone shared in the fun. During parent conferences in November over 90% of parents visited the school to learn about their child's progress and performance, an impressive response from parents whose schedules are already full. After virtually every field trip or in school special assembly or presentation our students are complimented on their behavior, interest, and participation. Our local police chief recently shared an experience with me that one of his officers had at an out of state school he had to visit. He reports that security was so tight it took several minutes just to enter the building and get to the main office. He described the building as a fortress. Although our school has elaborate safety protocols and practices in place, how fortunate we are to be able to balance security procedures with reasonable access to the school. At every school function formal and informal we are reminded of how fortunate we are to live in such a safe, protected and supportive community where the rural lifestyle is practiced and valued by all and where support for children is a priority. It is a lifestyle that we must never take for granted and one we must work hard to preserve for our children now and in the future.

I am happy to report that Strafford School continues to perform well as measured by the State of N.H. assessment program. Students in grades 3-8 are tested annually in language arts and math and in writing (grades 4 & 8). Last year Strafford students scored above N.H. averages in all three curriculum areas and, as a result, our school once again made AYP (annual yearly progress). We continue to explore ways to strengthen our program through teacher training, curriculum development, program adoptions, and through a comprehensive and ongoing analysis of assessment scores. The challenges are many and the staff and administration are committed to doing whatever is necessary to make certain our students are competitive with their peers throughout the country. For further information on our school's performance, please refer to the attached No Child Left Behind Report Card which can also be found on the N.H. Department of Education website.

Enrollment at the school has stabilized and is currently at 462. Although movement into and out of the school has slowed we still welcomed 30 plus new students to the school this year balancing those who left. In these difficult economic times, we do not expect dramatic changes in student enrollment either up or down. We expect the population to remain about the same for the 2009-2010 school year.

Summers at Strafford School continue to be very busy. This year the school offered or hosted the summer arts program, a summer basketball camp coordinated by Coe-Brown students, a summer art studio for all ages, a summer literacy program for students in grades K-2, a summer tutoring program for middle school students, instrumental music lessons, summer Reading Recovery, and a transition program emphasizing reading and math for students entering third grade. These programs were funded by the school district and through our rural school grant (REAP).

Many facilities upgrades were also completed over the summer months. They include ventilation upgrades, roof repairs, replacement of bathroom fixtures throughout the building, extensive painting, replacement of floor tiles, replacement of several interior and exterior doors, construction of secure storage units in the music

rooms, replacement of window shades in the cafeteria and classrooms, upgrades to the sound system in the gymnasium, repairs to outside lighting, and replacement of bathroom partitions.

In December of the current school year, the school will move into the space vacated by the Town Office. A committee met several times to consider options and a plan was presented to and accepted by the Strafford School Board. The primary special needs program will move from the modular annex into the main building. The assistant principal's office will also move into this area. The guidance program housed in a book closet will move into an office space as well. The final area will be used to expand the office area. Records, office machines, file cabinets, and work tables will be moved into the space directly adjacent to the current main office. For the first time, the school will meet state standards for records storage which require fire proof files or a secure vault. These moves will help alleviate some of the space problems and cramped conditions that exist at the school. It is a welcome change.

The school district has contracted with RPF, a local air quality testing company, to complete a series of tests within the school throughout the year. Air quality will be tested throughout the building each quarter of the school year to determine what additional ventilation upgrades will be needed to bring the school in compliance with acceptable standards. The air quality reports will be available for public review when they are complete.

We continue to lose key staff members to retirement. Last year fifth grade teacher Mrs. Marylou Stano, seventh grade teacher Mrs. Susan Tanguay, and custodian Mr. Leo Howard retired after dozens of years of service to the school and community. We thank them for their commitment to our school and students and commend them for their years of service. This year we will lose three additional educators to retirement as the transition continues at our school. Could it be we are all getting older? The administration has worked very hard to secure replacements for these individuals and we are very excited and proud of our new staff. They are highly qualified and bring a wide range of experience, knowledge, and talent to our program.

It is important for me to recognize all the volunteers that work at our school and commend their contributions to our school. We simply could not do what we do without their support and assistance. I would especially like to thank our PTO volunteers including co-chairs Mrs. Deisha Thivierge and Mrs. Erin Swansburg and officers Marcy Whitcher and Doreen Mathison. Their dedication to the school is simply extraordinary. Our PTO has raised tens of thousands of dollars to support all kinds of projects, purchases, and programs to support or enhance the school program. We cannot thank them enough for all their hard work and effort.

Over the past few years our school and students have been involved in several community outreach projects. This has included work with local nursing homes, collecting food for our local food pantry, and sending care packages, cards, letters, and Christmas trees to our troops serving in other countries. This fall, with the support of the school community, we sent 10 care packages to troops. We also held two food drives which were extremely successful. We were able to collect two pick-up truck loads of food for our local food pantry because of generous donations from staff, students, and their families. In a society that has largely focused on "me," it is important that we teach our children the value of sharing and giving as part of everyday living. We live in a world that needs many more acts of kindness and tolerance.

For the past 20 plus years Strafford School has been participating in the Destination Imagination Program. DI is a non-profit volunteer driven educational organization that teaches young people from kindergarten level through the university level the critical and creative thinking skills needed for success in the real world. DI exists in all 50 US States and in over 40 other countries throughout the world. Each year teams of up to seven students compete regionally with the goal of advancing to the State of N.H. finals and World Finals. The teams work together for several months to create their solutions to team challenges which are new each year. The challenges include theatrical, structural, improvisational, scientific or technical focuses. Teams also learn and practice creative quick-thinking skills for the Instant Challenge portion of the program. Strafford Students have won first place dozens of times at regional and state competitions. Teams have advanced to World Finals SIX

times including last year. Those teams have taken eighth place, third place two years ago, and third place again last year in Knoxville Tennessee coached by Mrs. Pat Lucas and Mrs. Sheila Hatfield. This is a remarkable achievement for Strafford School students who have represented their school and community at the highest levels at regional, state, and world competitions. I want to thank Mrs. Pat Lucas, Strafford's DI coordinator and coach. She has served in this capacity for over 2o years. Without her, it is likely the DI program would not exist. We deeply appreciate her commitment to our students and to the DI program.

Strafford School is currently involved in a technology initiative that has brought new SMARTBoard technology to several classrooms at the school. The SMART interactive whiteboard is a touch-sensitive display that connects to a computer and digital projector. Using a finger, you can control computer application, write, pull up charts and images, search the internet, play videos, and save work using a large screen format. The SMART interactive whiteboard has the flexibility to engage all learning styles and is especially useful in working with special populations. Through the school district budget and through grants, we have been able to purchase 10 of these units. Every special education classroom has a unit plus several special and regular classrooms. Two of our staff members have been trained to be certified SMART Board trainers. They conduct ongoing training in the use of this technology to staff in house. The success of students using this technology in their core subject areas has been amazing.

It is hard to believe that this will be my last report to the town as principal of Strafford School. I have been truly blessed and privileged to work with thousands of students, parents, and educators during my time here in Strafford. I could not imagine being in a more wonderful school or community. I would like to thank our very qualified staff, our hard working School Board, our PTO, our police and fire department, our road agent, our board of selectmen, parents, the citizens of Strafford, and, most important, the extraordinary students I have had the pleasure of working with over the years. Leaving Strafford School will be the hardest transition of my life but my heart will always be with the school, with the fire department I served for so many years, and with the children. Strafford is truly a very special community.

Richard A. Jenisch, Principal

2007-2008 No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Report Card

Strafford School

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Accountability Information

Status for 2007-2008 School Year	Content Area	Met AYP Requirements	Status for 2008-2009 School Year
Acceptable	Reading	Yes	Acceptable
Acceptable	Mathematics	Yes	Acceptable
Acceptable	Attn. Grad. Rate	Yes	Acceptable
More Schools In Need of Improvement(SINI) data		More Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) data	More Schools In Need of Improvement(SINI) data

Statewide NCLB Accountability Status-READING

	Schools		Districts	
	N	%	N	%
Acceptable	345	72.5	137	85.1
SINI/DINI Year 1	58	12.2	16	9.9
SINI/DINI Year 2	36	7.6	5	3.1
Corrective Action/Level 3	24	5	3	1.9
Restructure Planning/Level 4	13	2.7		
Restructuring/Level 5	0	0		
Total Number in State	476	100	161	100

More accountability and Title I status information.

Octoher 1 Enrollment / Average Class Size

Grade(s)	Octoher 1 Enrollment Sch	Dist	State	Average Class Size Sch	Dist	State
Grade 1	55	55	14364	18	18	17
Grade 2	44	44	14436	15	15	18
Grade 3	54	54	14624	18	18	18
Grade 4	42	42	15026	14	14	20
Grade 5	53	53	15203	18	18	20
Grade 6	54	54	15318	18	18	20
Grade 7	67	67	15806	22	22	20
Grade 8	65	65	16218	22	22	20
Grade 9	0		17532			
Grade 10	0		16922			
Grade 11	0		16000			
Grade 12	0		15918			

Additional Enrollment/Class Size data.

Teacher Quality Information

	Sch		Dist.	State
	N	%	%	%
Core Classes Taught by non-HQT				
Core Classes Taught by non-HQT in High-Poverty Schools				
Core Classes Taught by non-HQT in Low-Poverty Schools				
Employed Under Emergency or Provisional Credentials				
Bachelor's Degree				
Master's Degree				
Degree beyond Master's Degree				

More Highly-Qualified Teacher (HQT) information

Statewide NCLB Accountability Status-MATHEMATICS

	Schools		Districts	
	N	%	N	%
Acceptable	346	72.7	141	87.6
SINI/DINI Year 1	63	13.2	8	5
SINI/DINI Year 2	33	6.9	9	5.6
Corrective Action/Level 3	24	5	3	1.9
Restructure Planning/Level 4	10	2.1		
Restructuring/Level 5	0	0		
Total Number in State	476	100	161	100

More accountability and Title I status information.

Student Assessment Information
(Based on the May 2007 NH-Alt and October 2007 NECAP Assessment)

Achievement Level (%)	Reading Sch	Dist	State	Mathematics Sch	Dist.	State	Writing Sch	Dist	State
Substantially Below Proficient (%)	2	2	9	5	5	19	5	5	17
Partially Proficient (%)	11	11	19	15	15	20	39	40	39
Proficient (%)	58	59	56	51	51	44	39	38	33
Proficient with Distinction (%)	28	28	16	28	28	16	16	16	9
Testing Participation (%)	100	100	99	100	100	99	99	99	98

For detailed information aggregated by testing year, click on one of the links to the right

	Reading	Mathematics	Writing
For rankings, click on a link to the right or access this corresponding E/M School Ranking Data File (xls format) and Data Layout (xls)	School Ranking List - Reading(Grades 3-8)	School Ranking List -Mathematics (Grades 3-8)	School Ranking List -Writing(Grades 5,8)
For rankings, click on a link to the right or access this corresponding High School Ranking Data File (xls format) and Data Layout (xls)	School Ranking List - Reading(Grades 11)	School Ranking List - Mathematics (Grades 11)	Grade 11 writing is a one-item assessment and therefore is not ranked

School Safety

	Sch.	Dist.	State
School Safety Incidences			
Total Number of Incidents			
No. of Incidents/1,000 students			

Additional School Safety data

Attendance/Graduation Rate

	Sch.	Dist.	State
Elem. Middle Attendance Rate (Target 90%)			
High School Graduation Rate(Target 75%)			

Additional attendance rate data Additional dropout and completer rate data

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Strafford School

Science Assessment Information (Based on the May 2008 NH-Alt and NECAP Science Assessments)	Science		
Achievement Level (%)	Sch.	Dist.	State
Substantially Below Proficient (%)			
Partially Proficient (%)			
Proficient (%)			
Proficient with Distinction (%)			
Testing Participation (%)			
For detailed information, click on the link to the right			
For rankings, click on a link to the right or access this corresponding E/M School Science Ranking Data File (xls format) and Data File Layout (xls)			
For rankings, click on a link to the right or access this corresponding High School Science Ranking Data File (xls format) and Data File Layout (xls)			

Student Achievement Trend Data In Science Number and Percent of Students Scoring Proficient or Above (Based on the May 2008 NH-Alt and NECAP Science Assessment)	2007-2008	
Grade	N	%
4		
8		
11		

Note: Grade indicates the student's grade level in May of the school year listed at the top of the column.

Note: The data represent results from the NECAP Science and NH-Alt administrations. The NECAP Science assessment is administered in May of each school year. NH-Alt portfolios are assembled throughout the school year.

Note: Data are not shown for groups with fewer than ten (10) students.

Student Achievement Trend Data -Number and Percent of Students Scoring Proficient or Above (Current Year Data is based on the May 2007 NH-Alt and October 2007 NECAP Assessments)

Grade	Content Area	2005-2006		2006-2007		2007-2008	
		N	%	N	%	N	%
3	Reading	54	69	41	95	54	98
	Mathematics	54	54	41	88	54	87
4	Reading	50	74	55	71	42	90
	Mathematics	50	70	55	53	42	90
5	Reading	68	66	53	74	54	83
	Mathematics	68	62	51	75	54	69
	Writing	68	54	51	57	54	70
6	Reading	57	74	69	90	50	90
	Mathematics	57	68	69	81	50	86
7	Reading	61	80	60	77	67	87
	Mathematics	61	79	60	68	67	84
8	Reading	77	66	70	63	65	75
	Mathematics	77	62	70	60	65	66
	Writing	77	51	70	36	65	42
11	Reading						
	Mathematics						
	Writing						

Note: Grade indicates the student's grade level in October of the school year listed at the top of the column.

Note: The number and percent of students who scored Proficient or better combines data from the NECAP and the NH-Alt assessments. The NECAP is administered in October of each school year and NH-Alt portfolios are assembled during the prior school year.

Note: Data are not shown for groups with fewer than ten (10) students.

Note: The high school NECAP and NH-Alt assessment data was combined for the first time in 2007-2008.

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER
for the
Fiscal Year July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008

Cash on Hand July 1, 2007 (Treasurer's bank balance)		588561.48
Received from Selectmen		
Current Appropriation	7043842.00	
Revenue from State	2452832.19	
Revenue from Federal	-0-	
Recieved from all other Sources	198332.20	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		9695006.39
TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR FISCAL YEAR (balance-receipts)		10283567.87
LESS SCHOOL BOARD ORDERED PAID		9403959.87
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, 2008 (Treasurer's Bank Balance)		879608.00

July 10, 2008

District Treasurer

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

DATE	FROM WHOM	DESCRIPTION	
July 01, 2007	State of NH	Equitable Ed. Aid	$2,271,177.00
to		Building Aid	$4,216.74
June 30, 2008		Catastrophic Aid	$77,729.90
		Medicaid Reimb.	$81,124.68
		FEMA 4/07	$15,650.36
		Admin. Allowance	$626.01
		Flood 5/06	$2,307.50
	Town of Strafford	Appropriation	$7,043,842.00
	Citizens Bank	Interest	$6,435.36
	Coe Brown Academy	Tuition Refund	$15,707.00
	City of Rochester	Tuition	$9,856.80
	School Lunch Program	Lunch Sales	$108,190.20
		Coffee	$753.00
		Miscellaneous Snacks	$157.00
		Food & Supplies Purchases	$261.13
	Strafford Fire Fighter Assoc.	Food Supplies	$175.07
	Student Activities Acct.	Staff Meeting	$27.25
	SAU #44	School Lunch Program Reim.	$32,089.56
		Breakfast Adj. April/June 2007	$106.20
		USDA Food Reimb. 2006-07	$2,167.49
		Workshop Reimb.	$8,283.00
		Professional Books Reimb.	$771.60
		Workshop Substitutes Reimb.	$941.94
	Strafford Recreatioal Sports	Port-O-Pots	$37.38
	Strafford School PTO	Marching Band Instruments	$1,670.85
	American General Life Insurance	Refund	$3,140.00
	American Eagle Co. Inc.	returned items	$28.00
	Aramark	Refund	$49.98
	Barrington Middle Sch	Overpaid Pumpkin Classic	$25.00
	G.E. Capital Corporation	Overpayment	$650.00
	NH Retirement System	Refund	$722.96
	Northeast William Glasser Institute	Refund	$65.00
	Pearson Education	Refund	$190.66
	Primex Insurance	Unemployment Compensation credit 2007	$147.00
		Insurance payment- breakin 4/07	$1,534.66
	Scholastic Inc.	Refund	$1,219.99
	Student Activities Acct.	Southeast League Reimb.	$5.17
	United States Treasury	Refund	$2.54
	Miscellaneous	Rent	$2,602.47
		Agendas	$85.00
		Bathroom Damage	$3.00
		Filing Fees 2008	$5.00
		Gas Reimb.	$5.00
		Library Overdue Notice	$9.99
		Lost Basketball Shorts	$18.00
		Lost Books	$12.95
		Lost CD"s	$65.00
		Petty Cash Reimb.	$22.00
		Telephone Calls	$36.00
		Returned Checks Fees	$56.00
		TOTAL RECEIPTS	$9,695,006.39

Strafford School District Salaries FY July 1, 2007- June 30, 2008 12/18/2008

Name	Position	Salary
Melissa ABBOTT	Substititue	$105.00
Cecil ABELS	Substititue	$105.00
Irene ABELS	PT Nurse	$15,851.20
Laura ADAMS	Tchr Gr 7	$53,260.98
James ALLENDINGER	Sch Brd Moderator	$100.00
Andrea ATKINSON	Instrumental Band Teacher	$34,936.98
Margaret AUERBACH	Substititue	$3,185.00
Christine BANE	School Board Member	$600.00
Elizabeth BARTHOLOMEW	Substitute	$140.00
Karen BEAVERSTOCK	Tchr Gr 8	$39,717.98
Karen BLAISDELL	Tchr Gr 8	$38,036.00
James BONNEAU	Tech Director	$55,000.00
William BRIGHAM	Bus Monitor	$2,670.00
Troy BRISARD	Substitute	$630.00
Judy BROWN	Lunch Monitor	$7,514.53
Christine BURKE	Substitute	$2,870.00
Patricia BURNELL	Food Service	$14,745.30
Susan CAMIRE	Tchr Gr 3	$39,421.00
Michelle CARTER	Substitute	$910.00
Carol CHADWICK	Paraprofessional	$15,749.10
Rebecca CHAGNON	Paraprofessional	$15,842.10
Steven COLBY	Tchr Gr 5	$47,184.00
Caitlyn COLEMAN	Substitute	$1,575.00
Wendy COLUMBARE	Substitute	$5,530.00
Ken COOK	Facilities	$18,654.12
Mary COOK	Substitute	$1,385.00
Kathleen CORCORAN	Substitute	$175.00
Jennifer CRONSHAW	Substitute	$1,505.00
Anne CULLEN	Admin Secretary	$27,869.50
Kathryn CUNNINGHAM	Nurse	$44,437.98
Traci DEITRICK	Paraprofessional	$13,067.60
Misty Demeritt	Substitute	$1,225.00
Margaret DEXTER-YONCHAK	Substitute	$8,913.96
Audrey DOLAN	Tchr Gr 4	$55,060.00
Paige Dolan	Substitute	$75.00
Maureen DOLEN	Lunch Monitor	$4,562.50
Rebecca DOTY	School Board Member	$600.00
Denise DOYON	ParaprofessionalSPED Sec'y	$19,243.10
Paula DRISCOLL	Substitute	$245.00
George DROZIN	Asst. Principal	$64,896.00
Cynthia DUFFY	Paraprofessional	$16,904.60
Jennifer EDGERLY	Tchr Gr 4	$54,067.98
Elizabeth EVANS	Foreign Language Tchr	$19,897.00
Norman FINNEGAN	Substitute	$420.00

Name	Position	Salary
Donna FRANKLIN	Library/Media Para	$15,557.10
Jack FREDYMA	Substitute	$105.00
Stephanie GAGE	Facilities Substitute	$770.00
Allan GAHM	Tchr Gr 6	$61,189.00
Meghan GAHM	Substitute	$350.00
Cindy GALE	Paraprofessional	$18,132.80
Eric GALE	Food Service Director	$29,178.65
Georgia GARLAND	Tchr Gr 3	$39,617.98
Meghan GEARTY	Health Teacher	$34,751.98
Christopher GEMPP	Music Teacher	$33,411.98
Donna GOODELL	Substitute	$21,575.10
Beatrice GOODWIN	Paraprofessional	$16,479.10
Kathleen GORMAN	Tchr Speech/Language	$2,750.00
Donna GOSCINSKI	Tchr Gr 6	$54,410.98
Ann GRAHAM	Paraprofessional	$18,579.55
Jesse GRANDE	Substitute/CCCoach	$1,320.00
Jason GRANT	School Board	$600.00
Robin GRONDIN	Special Educ Sec'y/Teacher	$14,501.43
Tracy HANSON	Tchr Gr 2	$41,223.98
Holly HARRIS	Tchr Gr 2	$52,719.00
Linda HARTMANN	Tchr Special Educ	$55,068.00
Laura HEBERT	Admin Secretary	$21,362.25
Gary HESELTON	Facilities Mgr	$38,541.81
Janet HOMIAK	Tchr Reading Recovery	$41,183.48
Mitzi HORNE	Tchr Gr 4	$35,333.00
Leo HOWARD	Facilities	$30,534.90
Mary IRONS	Tchr Gr 1	$45,027.00
Richard JENISCH	Principal	$83,330.58
Susan JOHNSON	Paraprofessional	$19,716.25
Heidi JORDAN	Tchr Art	$34,867.98
Richard KAUFMAN	PT Guidance	$33,758.00
Melissa KERIVAN	Bookkeeper	$32,609.16
Sarah E KERN	Substitute	$280.00
June C KNOX	Substitute	$420.00
Robyn KRASKO	Tchr Phys Ed	$54,632.98
Jodie LABRIE	Substitute	$3,220.00
Diane LAFLAMME	Substitute	$385.00
Jane LAURION	Paraprofessional	$16,620.60
Karen LIBBY	Paraprofessional	$16,930.60
Julia LIGHTNER-FREDYMA	Tchr Technology	$41,028.00
Heather LORENZO	Tchr Kindergarten	$41,073.98
Patricia LUCAS	Paraprofessional	$20,661.10
Jennifer Marcotte	Substitute	$2,135.00
Elizabeth MASON	Tchr Kindergarten	$53,539.98

Name	Position	Salary
Kevin MASON	Facilities	$8,272.00
Nancy MASON	Guidance	$55,992.98
Colleen MCMAHON	Paraprofessional	$19,701.10
Melissa METHOT	Substitute	$350.00
Kimberly MORRISETTE	Substitute	$35.00
David NIX	Tchr Gr 5	$54,067.98
Jennifer NOEL	Sub/Lunch Monitor	$11,473.50
Heather NOYES	Substitute	$615.00
Sharon OLSSON	Tchr Special Educ	$39,607.98
Melissa ORTIZ	Substitute	$735.00
Bruce PATRICK	School Board Chairman/Ump	$700.00
Bradley PICKARD	Facilities	$9,476.50
Gregory PICKARD	Coach	$1,100.00
Sandra PIERCE	Sch Dist Treas/Food Serv	$11,244.39
Maryellen PLANTE	Tchr Gr 2	$52,889.98
Linda PLAZA	Paraprofessional	$14,917.10
Carrolle POPOVICH	Sch Dist Secretary/Clerk	$1,871.75
Lynda POWERS	School Board Member	$600.00
Alison QUINTON	Tchr Gr 1	$34,333.00
Julie RAPOSA	Substitute	$420.00
Candice RAY	Paraprofessional	$17,139.10
Sarah REHN	Substitute	$1,365.00
Megan ROBERTSON	Substitute	$875.00
Laurel RODIER	Tchr Gr 7	$41,028.00
Sarah ROY	Tchr Gr 3	$39,001.61
Karen SARGENT	Paraprofessional	$20,279.10
Maureen SAWICKI	Tchr Gr 2	$54,067.98
Julie SCHRAUFNAGEL	Paraprofessional	$17,656.60
Radia SEFIANE	Foreign Language Tchr	$16,264.44
Mark SHANNON	Tchr Gr 8	$36,403.98
Adriana SHEAN	Substitute	$560.00
Terry SMITH	Substitute	$2,310.00
Emilee SOMERS	Substitute	$385.00
Kathryn STALEY	Tchr Reading Specialist	$55,864.00
Mary Lou STANO	Tchr Gr 5	$59,311.50
Lynne STEVENS	Substitute	$3,185.00
Janice STIMMELL	Tchr Gr 1	$37,813.98
Sarah SWASEY	Substitute	$490.00
John SWEENEY	Facilities	$24,197.77
Susan TANGUAY	Tchr Gr 7	$61,268.00
Christine TAPPAN	Tchr Special Educ	$49,839.42
Joshua TAPPAN	Facilities	$2,172.50
Robert THIVIERGE	Facilities	$1,975.00
Darlene TOWLE	Paraprofessional	$16,434.60
Jason TRAFTON	Tchr Gr 6	$35,948.98
Hazel TURMELLE	Food Service	$16,051.62
Roger TURMELLE	Facilities	$4,435.00
Lynda VOGT	Tchr Special Educ	$55,192.98
Kristine VULNER	Paraprofessional	$17,478.10

Name	Position	Salary
Amy WEST	Substitute	$105.00
Judith WHITCHER	Tchr Special Educ	$38,781.58
Robert WHITE	Coach	$1,300.00
Rebecca WIGGIN	PT Tchr Speech /Language	$49,214.98
Susan J. WILLIAMS	Tchr Media Generalist	$48,935.98
Jennifer WRIGHT	Substitute	$630.00
Maria WYSOCKI	Substitute	$2,345.00
TOTAL '07-'08		$3,077,076.85

**These figures include all payroll: contracts, stipend, overtime and insurance/sickday/buy-out payments.*

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND 2007/2008

Capital Reserve Fund Balance as of June 30, 2008

$255,727.07

Strafford School District (SAU 44)
Itemized Special Education Expenditures
For Period of July 1, 2007- to-June 30-2008

Category	FY 2005-2006	FY 2006-2007	FY 2007-2008
Itemized Expenditures			
Instruction	$ 799,071	$ 923,352	$ 873,858
Related Services	203,604	277,870	191,498
Transportation	48,490	67,939	72,542
Tuition (HS, Pre-School & Placements)	303,075	418,522	869,069
Total Expenditures	$ 1,354,240	$ 1,687,683	$ 2,006,967
Itemized Revenue			
Catastrophic Aid	$ 56,492	66,766	$ 77,730
Adequacy - Apportioned	482,966	507,114	418,287
Part B	99,343	119,325	104,960
Pre-School	6,210	11,449	90,296
Medicaid	60,608	84,340	81,215
Total Revenue	$ 705,619	$ 788,994	$ 772,488
Actual Net District Costs	$ 648,621	$ 898,689	$ 1,234,479

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
Municipal Services Division
2008 Tax Rate Calculation

TOWN/CITY: STRAFFORD

Gross Appropriations	2,674,018
Less: Revenues	1,732,709
Less: Shared Revenues	12,195
Add: Overlay	28,144
War Service Credits	41,400

Barbara J Robinson
11/14/08

Net Town Appropriation	998,658		
Special Adjustment	0		
Approved Town/City Tax Effort		998,658	**TOWN RATE 2.02**

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp. - Revenue)	9,489,814		
Regional School Apportionment	0		
Less: Adequate Education Grant	(2,271,177)		
State Education Taxes	(1,083,422)		**LOCAL SCHOOL RATE 12.44**
Approved School(s) Tax Effort		6,135,215	

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

Equalized Valuation(no utilities) x	$2.14		**STATE SCHOOL RATE 2.21**
506,272,069		1,083,422	
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)			
490,603,100			
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State			
Pay to State →	0		

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County	1,095,673		
Less: Shared Revenues	(5,167)		
Approved County Tax Effort		1,090,506	**COUNTY RATE 2.21**
			TOTAL RATE 18.88
Total Property Taxes Assessed		9,307,801	
Less: War Service Credits		(41,400)	
Add: Village District Commitment(s)		0	
Total Property Tax Commitment		**9,266,401**	

PROOF OF RATE

Net Assessed Valuation		Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	490,603,100	2.21	1,083,422
All Other Taxes	493,315,400	16.67	8,224,379
			9,307,801

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Superintendent's Report

2007-2008

Significant changes in personnel and practice sum up School Administrative Unit #44's past year of service to its communities. Even with the changes, the SAU continues to move forward with its initiatives in the areas of curriculum and instruction. An SAU-wide English/Language Arts curriculum was represented to the staffs of the three SAU districts. For the first time, SAU #44 has a single Mathematics curriculum being implemented in each of the three districts. Next on the list of curriculum development is Science and that will be followed up by Social Studies in the near future. The Professional Development Committee has worked toward developing a new Professional Development plan, which educators will utilize to accumulate the necessary knowledge, skills and training to fulfill their Three-Year Recertification requirements. In addition, the SAU has implemented a new mentoring program that will ease the transition of teachers new to the SAU into their new schools. This has been a very busy and challenging year, but very rewarding as well.

The Strafford School administration and staff were extremely proud to have made Adequate Yearly Progress for the 2007-2008 school year. Mr. Richard Jenisch, who has served Strafford School well for more than 20 years, and Mr. George Drozin, who is in his 5th year as the Assistant Principal at Strafford, have placed an emphasis on instructional decisions being based on the individual needs of the students of Strafford. Beyond looking at test data, the administration and staff continue to try to develop the whole child, not just the academic side of Strafford's students. By doing so, an atmosphere of community, learning and cooperation has been perpetuated within the walls of Strafford School.

The 07-08 school year began with fall testing. An expanded NWEA test schedule brought primary students into the computer lab to participate in the school's standardized assessments for the first time. Students also worked hard at, and performed well on, the state's assessment – the NECAP. Beyond the data collection, Strafford School provided a wealth of educational opportunities and experiences for its students – in an out of the classroom. Trips to Montreal for foreign language students and to a week-long environmental camp for sixth graders are two examples of opportunities that Strafford School provides that many other schools do not. Strafford School students brought home trophies for athletic success on championship sports teams and for academic success as Strafford School students were lauded for art, spelling, geography and the Destination Imagination, which placed in the top 10 in the World for a second-straight year.

The support of both the Strafford community and the parents of Strafford School students; and the dedication of the Strafford School administration and staff all play roles in the success of Strafford School and its students. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Michael Ludwell

Interim Superintendent of Schools

School Administrative Unit #44

2008-2008 Salaries

Interim Superintendent $90,900.00 ($450.00 per diem)
Interim Business Administrator $76,760.00 ($380.00 per diem)
Special Education Director $75,488.70
Assistant Special Education Director $62,924.14
Grant Writer (Part –Time) $28,115.17

Strafford School District (SAU 44)
Strafford, New Hampshire
Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2008

Account Description	General Fund	Food Service Fund	Trust/ Agency Fund	Consolidated Total
Current Assets				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	$ 879,608	-	$ -	$ 879,608
Other Accounts Receivable	-	$ 6,981	-	6,981
Inventories	-	1,617	-	1,617
Interfund Receivables	5,219	-	230,727	235,946
Intergovernmental Receivables	53,276	-	-	53,276
Total Current Assets	$ 938,103	$ 8,598	$ 230,727	$ 1,177,428
Current Liabilities				
Interfund Payables	$ -	$ 5,219	$ -	$ 5,219
Other Payables	94,694	1,762	-	96,456
Payroll Liabilities & Withholdings	79,959	-	-	79,959
Total Current Liabilities	$ 174,653	$ 6,981	$ -	$ 181,634
Fund Equity				
Reserve for Encumbrances	$ 183,900	$ -	$ -	$ 183,900
Reserve for Inventories	-	1,617	-	1,617
Reserve for Specific Purposes	-	-	230,727	230,727
Reserve for Continuing Appropriations	25,000	-	-	25,000
Unrestricted Fund Balance	554,550	-	-	554,550
Total Fund Equity	$ 763,450	$ 1,617	$ 230,727	$ 995,794
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	$ 938,103	$ 8,598	$ 230,727	$ 1,177,428

Information was obtained from the MS 25 report for the year ending June 30, 2008.

SAU Distribution FY09

DISTRICT	2007 EQUALIZED VALUATION	VALUATION PERCENT	2006-2007 ADM IN ATTENDANCE	PUPILS PERCENT	COMBINED PERCENT	2008-2009 DISTRICT SHARE
Northwood	529,802,767	34%	766	33%	66%	$278,073.09
Nottingham	567,441,912	36%	776	33%	69%	$286,373.78
Strafford	465,486,087	30%	812	34%	64%	$265,622.06
TOTAL	1,562,730,766	100%	2354	100%	200%	$830,068.92

Strafford School Graduation Class of 2008

Alexandra Archambault
Nathan Arnold
Michael Bailey
Kayla Bane
Jaedyn Bedell
Lauren Blowey
Jenna Brown
Seth Brown
Eric Burgess
Matthew Burns
Christopher Chadwick
Savanah Clarke
Ryan Cleveland
Mariah Clifford
Kaleb Coder
Conor Corless
Katherine Cronk
Megan Curtin
Jacob Devore
George Donovan
Darren Doyon
Cody Driscoll
Travis Ferland
Andrea Gagne
Anna Goodell
Genevieve Gray
Lauren Harnish
Gregory Hatfield
Diana Herlehy
Ashley Hogne
David Ikewood
Paige James
Griffin Kelley
Caitlyn Kennedy
Nikolai Kinevich
Blair Leavitt
Erika Magner
Ryan McCourt
Michaela McGovern
M. Jason Moody
John O'Hara
David O'Neill-Pratt
Jamie Osborne
Matthew Paganelli
Corina Perkins
Erin Powers
Cristina Ranno
Jacob Ray
Alex Russell
Jason Sanborn
Alexander Searing
Sophie Shiere
Hannah Silverman
Brooke Smith
Tucker Snedeker
Katherine Soiett
Matthew Stevens
Jeremy Stone
Joshua Stone
Kelly Turner
Harrison Vina
Michele Vlasich
Katherine Wysocki
Mackenzie Young

Strafford CBNA Graduates
Class of 2008

Wendy Elona Andersen
Joseph Anthony Ascoli
Christina Marie Banach
Ross John Bennette
Jillian Ashleigh Bibeau
Barry Roland Blair
Alicia Jean Boyle
Gabriel Ben Carling
Derek Robert Carlson
Jack Gregory Chingas
Thomas William Chingas
Tyler William Crabtree
Dana Mills Crickard
Paige Marie Davis
Megan Jean Emond
Timothy Andrew Foss
Brian Aubrey Freeman
Kevin Eric Gale
Andrew David Garvin
Danielle Marie Gerber
Tyler Scott Goodell
Marilyn Lydia Goscinski
Emily Rose Gosselin
Sarah Jane Gosselin
Leah Christine Graham
Douglas David Hatfield
Allison Jean Herlehy
Adrianna Joanna Hey
Jesse Roggenbauer Horne
Abigail Emma Leavitt
Alyssa Anne Livermore
Allyson Michelle Kester
Brandon Joseph Martel
Colin Michael Miner
Brian Michael O'Donnell
Leigh Anna Osborne
Randy Scott Osborne
Tyler Ernest Patrick
Roberto Ranno
Tyler Damon Ray
Hannah Elyse Reed
Adrienne Elizabeth Riley
Ryan Robert Robichaud
Kasey Nicole Routhier
Meagan Nicole Savioli
Ryan Andrew Thibeault
Christopher Claude Thomson
Ryan Earle Thornton
William Joseph Walsh
Jade Alexa Wilcox
Tara Jayne Yeaton

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT

01/01/2008-12/31/2008

--STRAFFORD--

Child's Name	Date Of Birth	Place Of Birth	Father's Name	Mother's Name
LYONS,KIANNA LEA	01/22/2008	DOVER,NH		LYONS,BETHANY
POGOREK,JASON RILEY JOSEPH	01/30/2008	CONCORD,NH	POGOREK,JOHN	POGOREK,SARAH
SCRIBNER,MACKENZIE ELIZABETH	01/31/2008	DOVER,NH	BICKFORD,TERRENCE	SCRIBNER,KELLY
SANDERS,REESE OLIVIA	02/04/2008	DOVER,NH	SANDERS,SCOTT	CARR,CAROLYN
BLADES,JACOB DANIEL	02/05/2008	CONCORD,NH	BLADES,DANIEL	BLADES,KRISTEN
RANSOM,JACK THOMAS	02/06/2008	NASHUA,NH	RANSOM,KEVIN	RANSOM,AMY
KNUTSEN,ANASTASIA SOLVEIG	02/16/2008	ROCHESTER,NH	KNUTSEN,DOUGLAS	KNUTSEN,NANCYJEAN
MURRAY,HADLEA REAGAN	02/19/2008	CONCORD,NH	MURRAY,KEITH	MURRAY,DEBORAH
BROWN,MAKAYLA ROSE	02/20/2008	ROCHESTER,NH		BROWN,AMANDA
SIMONELLI,OLIVIA ANN	02/27/2008	DOVER,NH	SIMONELLI,DAVID	SIMONELLI,HOLLY
DOUCET,JET RAYMOND	02/29/2008	DOVER,NH	DOUCET,CARL	FANJOY,LUCINDA
GAGNE,CAMERON ROBERT	04/11/2008	DOVER,NH	GAGNE,CHRISTOPHER	GAGNE,JENNIFER
YU,GRACIE JACQUELINE	04/22/2008	DOVER,NH	YU,SAT	HENDRY,SUSAN
MORSE,RYAN CLAYTON	05/07/2008	LEBANON,NH	MORSE,BENJAMIN	MORSE,AMY
MORSE,JACK ROBERT	05/07/2008	LEBANON,NH	MORSE,BENJAMIN	MORSE,AMY
RAFFERTY,CALEB BRAYDON	05/07/2008	ROCHESTER,NH		RAFFERTY,JODY
BRAY,BRODY LEE MICHAEL	05/24/2008	DOVER,NH	BRAY,ADAM	BRAY,JUSTINE
PARADIS,RYLAN WILLIAM	05/24/2008	ROCHESTER,NH	PARADIS,TIMOTHY	PARADIS,KRISTIN
WEST,MAKENZI ANN	05/29/2008	DOVER,NH	WEST,JOSEPH	CONGRAM,NICOLE
DUBAY,KIRK ANTHONY	06/06/2008	ROCHESTER,NH	DUBAY,JIMMY	DUBAY,KERI
PRIME,ZARA SATYA	06/18/2008	DOVER,NH	PRIME,ADAM	PRIME,PILAR
MORALES,GABRIELLA DEBORAH	07/03/2008	PORTSMOUTH,NH	MORALES,MIGUEL	GRIFFIN,AMY
TANNER,LYDIA JADE	07/03/2008	DOVER,NH	TANNER,DAVID	TANNER,JENNIFER
BUEHRER,JACOB MAXWELL	07/23/2008	PORTSMOUTH,NH	BUEHRER,JAMES	BUEHRER,MARY
STIMPSON,THESUN PHINEAS	07/28/2008	STRAFFORD,NH	STIMPSON,SHAWN	ANDERSON,SARAH
ROBBINS,DEVIN LEE	07/29/2008	DOVER,NH	ROBBINS,LELAND	ROBBINS,LISA
DOUMIT,CHLOE JANE	08/05/2008	EXETER,NH	DOUMIT,GEORGE	FRANCIS,MINERVA
GOODNIGHT,BRYCE ALEXANDER	08/29/2008	ROCHESTER,NH	GOODNIGHT,DANIEL	GOODNIGHT,ERIN
PAQUETTE,KAL-EL VINCENT	09/05/2008	ROCHESTER,NH	PAQUETTE,ZACHARY	PAQUETTE,LAURA
NORRIS,PATRICK DANIEL	09/22/2008	DOVER,NH	NORRIS,JAMES	NORRIS,SIOBHAN
TAYLOR,COLBY BRETT	10/13/2008	CONCORD,NH	TAYLOR,TIMOTHY	TAYLOR,LINDSAY
READEL,ABIGAIL MARIE	10/23/2008	DOVER,NH	READEL,BENJAMIN	READEL,JENNIFER
READEL,MORGAN AVA	10/23/2008	DOVER,NH	READEL,BENJAMIN	READEL,JENNIFER
PERKINS,VANESSA MARRIE	11/24/2008	ROCHESTER,NH		PERKINS,STARR
PRATT,ELIAS ANTHONY	12/21/2008	DOVER,NH	PRATT,ALBERT	GENGARELLY,LARA
HALL,SYDNEY ELIZABETH	12/23/2008	DOVER,NH	HALL,JEREME	HALL,KAREN

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RESIDENT DEATH REPORT

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--STRAFFORD, NH --

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name	Military
CAHILL, ELLA	01/12/2008	STRAFFORD	TIEDE, ERNST	SOLGER, LOUISE	N
WATTS, ARTHUR	01/30/2008	STRAFFORD	WATTS, ARTHUR	WALSH, EVA	Y
ALLAIRE, ROSE	02/20/2008	ROCHESTER	ISABELLE, THEODORE	LUSSIER, ALPHONSINE	N
JONES, ELIZABETH	02/22/2008	DOVER	SAWYER, HERBERT	GUERNSEY, ALYS	N
RUCINSKA, BARBARA	03/19/2008	STRAFFORD	DZIURLA, MARIAN	BURAU, GERTRUDA	N
BROWN, CARL	03/27/2008	DOVER	BROWN, LAWRENCE	RUDD, ETHEL	N
BICKFORD, RALPH	04/02/2008	STRAFFORD	BICKFORD, JACK	RIDLEY, GLADYS	Y
NYDEGGER, RHODA	05/17/2008	STRAFFORD	SUMPTION, WILLIAM	MURPHY, AMELIA	N
HODGES, MYRA	05/20/2008	DOVER	MESSENGER, HERBERT	MURPHY, EDITH	N
HOLT, GARY	05/23/2008	STRAFFORD	HOLT, ROGER	BUTLER, ELSIE	N
WHITE JR, CLARENCE	06/13/2008	ROCHESTER	WHITE SR, CLARENCE	DOUCETTE, MARY	Y
KNIGHT, ALAN	06/17/2008	STRAFFORD	KNIGHT, JOHN	WHEELER, ALBERTA	Y
STANBRO, RACHEL	08/02/2008	DOVER	WATSON, ALVAH	SIMMONS, SALLY	N
SHOREY, EVELYN	09/05/2008	STRAFFORD	RHODES, WILBUR	STUART, MERCIE	N
DUPEE, DAVID	09/28/2008	STRAFFORD	DUPEE, HARRY	SCOTT, DOROTHY	Y
MASON SR, RAYMOND	11/14/2008	STRAFFORD	MASON SR, RALPH	ALLSOP, MABEL	Y
ST HILAIRE, DONALD	11/19/2008	ROCHESTER	ST HILAIRE, PAUL	PERRY, JOANNE	N
DAVIS, JUNE	11/23/2008	DOVER	HALEY, WALDO	HUTCHINS, WINIFRED	N
VIEL, BRUCE	11/26/2008	DOVER	VIEL, RUDOLPH	CHAGNON, CLAIRE	N

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RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT

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Groom's Name	Groom's Residence	Bride's Name	Bride's Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage
SEYMOUR,HAROLD O	STRAFFORD,NH	CHAMBERS,MARY E	STRAFFORD,NH	STRAFFORD	STRAFFORD	02/15/2008
RHODES,DONALD B	STRAFFORD,NH	GUESS,GWEN V	ROCHESTER,NH	ROCHESTER	STRAFFORD	02/16/2008
CONLEY,JASON D	STRAFFORD,NH	GAGNON,CRYSTAL A	STRAFFORD,NH	STRAFFORD	STRAFFORD	02/16/2008
LEBEL,PAUL J	STRAFFORD,NH	SHELTON,MICHELE L	STRAFFORD,NH	STRAFFORD	STRAFFORD	02/23/2008
SMITH,RYAN W	STRAFFORD,NH	THOMAN,STEPHANIE	STRAFFORD,NH	STRAFFORD	ROCHESTER	03/21/2008
SILVA,JOSEPH M	STRAFFORD,NH	VIGNEAU,APRIL L	STRAFFORD,NH	STRAFFORD	ROCHESTER	04/05/2008
GOODWIN,NATHANIEL D	STRAFFORD,NH	PLUMMER,CHRISTIE R	STRAFFORD,NH	STRAFFORD	PORTSMOUTH	05/31/2008
FISHER,DONALD A	DEERFIELD,NH	RICE,JENNIFER P	STRAFFORD,NH	DEERFIELD	SOMERSWORTH	05/31/2008
OUIMETTE,EDWARD R	STRAFFORD,NH	SESSLER,LEANNE L	EXETER,NH	ROCHESTER	STRAFFORD	06/18/2008
GRANT,ROBERT D	STRAFFORD,NH	DAIGLE,JESSICA L	STRAFFORD,NH	STRAFFORD	SOMERSWORTH	06/21/2008
MCNEIL,ERIC J	STRAFFORD,NH	LAPANNE,EMMY-LEE E	STRAFFORD,NH	STRAFFORD	ROCHESTER	07/12/2008
MUNCK,MICHAEL P	STRAFFORD,NH	DOYLE,PATRICIA L	STRAFFORD,NH	STRAFFORD	STRAFFORD	07/17/2008
SCOTT,BRYANT J	STRAFFORD,NH	LACEY,STEPHANIE A	STRAFFORD,NH	STRAFFORD	STRAFFORD	08/16/2008
SCOFIELD,SCOTT N	STRAFFORD,NH	YUREK,REBECCA G	DEERFIELD,NH	STRAFFORD	EPSOM	08/16/2008
NICHOLS,JOHN G	STRAFFORD,NH	METTING,SARAH R	STRAFFORD,NH	STRAFFORD	LEE	08/30/2008
BISCORNET,MARC R	STRAFFORD,NH	SOUCY,TARA G	STRAFFORD,NH	STRAFFORD	GOFFSTOWN	09/02/2008
MCGANN,RYAN J	STRAFFORD,NH	CARON,HEIDI A	NORTHWOOD,NH	NORTHWOOD	STRAFFORD	12/06/2008
ROBICHAUD,ROBERT D	STRAFFORD,NH	TIBBETTS,NANCY A	STRAFFORD,NH	DOVER	DOVER	12/16/2008
GAGNON,JOSHUA A	STRAFFORD,NH	MUTSCHLER,HEIDI M	STRAFFORD,NH	STRAFFORD	STRAFFORD	12/27/2008

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RESIDENT CIVIL UNION REPORT

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– STRAFFORD –

Person A Name	Person A Residence	Person B Name	Person B Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Civil Union	Date of Civil Union
BAKER,BARBARA A	STRAFFORD,NH	ANANIA,PAULA A	PORTSMOUTH,NH	STRAFFORD	STRAFFORD	05/11/2008
VALLEY,SHEILA R	STRAFFORD,NH	WHITMORE,BRENDA H	STRAFFORD,NH	STRAFFORD	STRAFFORD	07/12/2008
COOKE,RONALD C	STRAFFORD,NH	WHEELER,MICHAEL A	STRAFFORD,NH	STRAFFORD	CONCORD	11/06/2008
POWELL,LOU G	STRAFFORD,NH	SABLE,JANET R	STRAFFORD,NH	STRAFFORD	HENNIKER	11/08/2008

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Thank You!

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank the many residents of Strafford that donated their time, materials, and/or services to the building and completion of the new Strafford Town Hall. Given the great generosity we have been shown, it is highly probable that we have omitted an organization or individual. Please accept our apologies in advance!

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Building Oversight

Tony Fallon
Architectural Design

The Forsythe Family
Refrigerator

Missy Kerivan
Break Room Table

Leighton Logging
Excavation/Moving Assistance

Barry Nation
Photographs

Marilyn Price
Artwork - "Transitions"

The Strafford Garden Club
Trees/Landscaping

The Sweet Family
Flagpole

Whitcher Builders
Building/Construction

Betti Williams
Artwork - "First Snow"

. . . and last, but certainly not least, the tireless staff in the town office!